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OF THE

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

In South-Carolina:

HELD IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON,

On the 20th, 21st and 22d of February

1850.

WITH

LISTS OF THE CLERGY AND PARISHES,

THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS, THE CONSTITUTION, CANONS AND RULES OF ORDER, AND THE STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE CLERGY,

BELONGING TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH-CAROLINA,

MARCH 1850.

The Rt. Rev. Christopher Edwards Gadsden, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Philip's Parish, Charleston.

PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.

- William H. Barnwell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charleston.
- " John Barnwell Campbell, Assistant Minister of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.
- " John W. Chanler, residing in New-York.
- " Augustus L. Converse, Rector of the Church at Claremont, Stateburg.
- " Andrew H. Cornish, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.
- " J. Hamilton Cornish, Rector of the Church of St. Thaddaus, Aiken.
- " M. A. Curtis, Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.
- " Thomas F. Davis, Rector of Grace Church, Camden.
- "William Dehon, Rector of the United Churches of Pineville and Upper St. John's.
- " Francis P. Delavaux, residing at Walterborough.
- " Charles P. Elliott, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.
- " Stephen Elliott, Assistant Minister of Prince William's Parish.
- " Henry Elwell, Teacher at Society Hill and Missionary to Darlington C. H. and Mar's Bluff.
- " J. R. Fell, Rector of Christ Church Parish.
- " Andrew Fowler, Charleston.
- " Philip Gadsden, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.
 - Christopher P. Gadsden, Assistant to the Rector of St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.

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- The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, residing in St. John's, John's Island.
 - " Richardson Graham, Assis't Minister of St. Helena, Beaufort,
 - " Alexander Glennie, Rector of All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.
 - " Alexander Gregg, Rector of St. David's Church, Cheraw.
 - " Charles H. Hall, Rector of St. John's, John's Island.
 - " Christian Hanckel, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeborough.
 - " James Stuart Hanckel, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, and Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeborough.
 - " Wm. Henry Hanckel, Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.
 - " Robert Henry, D. D., Professor in the South-Carolina College.
 - " Rob't T. Howard, Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winyaw,
 - " William Bell White Howe, Rector of St. John's, Berkley.
 - " Joseph Hunter, Rector of Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee.
 - " Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector of St. James's, Santee.
 - " Benjamin Johnson, Rector of St. Matthew's Parish.
 - " Paul Trapier Keith, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
 - " Maurice H. Lance, residing near Georgetown.
 - " Charles E. Leverett, Rector of Prince William's Parish.
 - " Edward C. Logan, Assistant to the Rector of the Church of the Messiah, North Santee.
 - Alex. W. Marshall, Minister of St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.
 - " David McElheran, Rector of St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.
 - " Stiles Mellichamp, Rector of St. James's Church, James Island.
 - " James W. Miles, Professor in the Charleston College.
 - " Josiah Obear, officiating at Randolph, Vermont.
 - " Edward Phillips, Rector of St. Thomas & St. Dennis's Parish.
 - " C. C. Pinckney, Jr., Rector of Messiah Church, North Santee.
 - " William T. Potter, residing at Beaufort.
 - " W. O. Prentiss, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.
 - " J. Maxwell Pringle, Rector of Zion Church, Richland.
 - " Edward Reed, Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield.
 - Richard S. Seely, Missionary to Chester District.
 - " Peter J. Shand, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.
 - " Robert D. Shindler.
 - " J. H. Smith, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville,
 - " Wm. Wallace Spear, Rector of Grace Church, Charleston.
 - " Isaac Swart, Missionary at Jacksonville, Florida.
 - Paul Trapier, Minister of Calvary Church, Charleston.
 - " Joseph R. Walker, Rector of St. Helena Parish, Beaufort.

The Rev. Edward T. Walker, Rector of Christ Church, Wilton.

C. B. Walker, residing at Edgefield C. H.

- " Cranmore Wallace, Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston,
- Benjamin C. Webb, Missionary in Prince William's Parish among the slave population.
- " Arthur Wigfall, Rector of St. Mark's Parish, Clarendon.
- " Alsop Woodward, Rector of St. Luke's Parish.
- "Thomas John Young, Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.

DEACONS.

The Rev. C. T. Bland, Assistant to the Rector of All-Saints' Parish.

- Jas. H. Elliott, Assistant to the Rector of St. Helena, Beaufort.
- " L. Clement Johnson.
 - J. D. McCollough, Missionary for Spartanburg District.
- " G. L. Platt, Teacher in All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.
- " Joseph B. Seabrook, Assistant to the Rector of St. Luke's Parish.
- " James Ward Simmons, Assistant Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.
- " Benjamin F. Taylor, officiating on Long-Island, New-York.

Bishop, - - - 1
Presbyters, - - - 62
Deacons, - - 8

Total, - - 71

The following Clergymen did not attend the meetings of the Convention, viz:—

PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. T. S. Arthur,

- " J. W. Chanlèr,
- " F. P. Delavaux,
- " H. Elwell,
- " A. Fowler,
- " A. Gregg,
- " R. T. Howard,
- " D. McElheran,
- " J. W. Miles,
- J. Obear,
- " R. S. Seeley,
- R. D. Shindler,
- " I. Swart,
- " C. B. Walker,
- " A. Woodward,-15,

DEACONS.

The Rev. James H. Elliott,

" L. C. Johnson,

" George L. Platt,

" B. F. Taylor.—4

Total, 19

The Rev. G. C. Shepard, D. D., of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and the Rev. R. P. Johnson, of the Diocese of Virginia, were admitted to seats in the Convention. Mr. Augustus Moore and Mr. Edwin A. Wagner, Candidates for Orders, were also present.

LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES,

IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA, WITH THE DATES OF THEIR FOUNDATION

ANNEXED.

| St. Philip's (original Church | , bu | ilt 1681,) <i>Parish</i> , | 1704, | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| St. James's, Pa | rish, | , Santee, | 1706, | April 9. |
| St. Andrew's, | " | | 1706, | Nov. 30. |
| St. Bartholomew's, | " | | 1706, | " " |
| Christ Church, | " | | 1706, | " |
| St. James's, | " | Goose Creek, | 1706, | " " |
| St. John's, | " | Berkley, | 1706, | " |
| St. Thomas & St. Dennis's, | " | | 1706, | " " |
| St. Paul's, | " | Stono, | 1706, | " " |
| St. Helena's, | " | Beaufort, | 1712, | |
| Prince George's, | 66 | Winyaw, | 1721, | |
| St. John's, | " | John's Island, | 1734, | |
| Prince Frederick's, | " | 1734, Chapel Peedee, | 1838, | |
| Prince William's, | " | | 1745, | |
| St. Michael's, | " | 1751, Church built | 1761, | |
| St. Mark's, | " | Clarendon, | 1757, | |
| All-Saints', | " | Waccamaw, | 1767, | May 23. |
| St. Luke's, | " | | 1767, | "" |
| St. Matthew's, | " | | 1768, | |
| St. David's, | " | 1768, Church, Cheraw | 1820, | |
| Church on Edisto Island, | | • | 1774, | |

| Claremont Church, | Stateburg, | | 1788, |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|
| St, Helena Church, | St. Helena Island, | • | |
| Pineville and Upper St. John'. | 8, | | 1807, |
| St. Paul's Church, | Radcliffeborough, | | 1810, |
| Trinity, " | Columbia, | | 1812, |
| Grace " | Sullivan's Island, | | 1817 |
| St. Paul's " | Pendleton, | about | 1821, |
| Christ " | Greenville, | | 1825, |
| Grace " | Camden, | | 1830, |
| St. James's " | James Island, | | 1831, |
| St. Peter's " | Charleston, | | 1833, |
| Trinity " | Society Hill, | | 1833, |
| Christ " | Wilton, | | 1834, |
| Holy Trinity " | Grahamville, | | 1834, |
| Trinity " | Edgefield, | | 1835, |
| St. John's " | Fairfield, | | 1839, |
| St. Philip's " | Bradford Springs, | | 1841, |
| Trinity " | Abbeville, | | 1842, |
| Church of the Messiah, | North Santee, | | 1842, |
| Church of St. Thaddaus, | Aiken, | | 1842, |
| Emmanuel Church, | Chester, | | 1843, |
| Zion Church, | Richland, | | 1844, |
| Church of the Epiphany, | Laurens, | | 1846, |
| Grace Church, | Charleston, | | 1846, |
| St. Luke's Church, | Newberry, | | 1846, |
| Ascension Church, | Gillisonville, | | 1847, |
| Church of the Advent, | Spartanburg, | | 1847, |
| Church of the Holy Apostles, | Barnwell, | | 1850, |
| Calvary Church, | Glenn's Springs, | | 1850. |
| Total, 50 | | | |
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CONGREGATIONS

NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN THE CONVENTION.

| St. Stephen's | Chapel, | Charleston, | 1822, | 7/1:: |
|---------------|---------|-------------|-------|------------------------|
| St. John's | 66 | Hampstead, | 1839, | Mission Congregations. |
| Calvary | Church, | Charleston, | 1849, | Congregations. |

LAY DELEGATES PRESENT AT CONVENTION.

St. Philip's, Charleston, Daniel Huger, B. D. Heriot, H. D. Lesesne.

St. James's, Santee, C. C. Pinckney, Dr. A. E. Gadsden.

St. Andrew's, W. B. Pringle, F. S. Holmes.

St. Bartholomew's, Edward Webb.

Christ Church Parish.

St. James's, Goosecreek.

St. John's, Berkley, Dr. Benj. Huger, Sims White, John Harleston.

St. Thomas and St. Dennis, Capt. D. N. Ingraham, U. S. N., J. L. Nowell.

St. Paul's, Stono.

St. Helena, Beaufort, Dr. Thomas Fuller.

Prince George, Winyaw, A. T. Porter, J. G. Henning.

St. John's, John's Island, S. P. Chisholm, R. J. La Roche.

Prince Frederick's, Peedee, R. F. W. Allston.

Prince William's, James Cuthbert, Thomas M. Hanckel.

St. Michael's, Charleston, Dr. I. M. Campbell, Dr. H. S. Waring, Alexander Robertson, W. Alston Hayne.

St. Mark's, Clarendon.

All Saints', Waccamaw, Francis M. Weston, John H. Tucker.

St. Luke's.

St. Matthew's, R. P. Adams.

St. David's, Cheraw.

Church on Edisto Island, Dr. Edward Mitchell, Wm. Whaley.

Claremont Church, Stateburg, Col. John J. Moore.

St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.

Pineville and Upper St. John's, H. W. Ravenel, T. W. Peyre, Julius Porcher.

St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough, Capt. Thomas Paine, T. G. Simons, Sr. Trinity Church, Columbia.

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island, Col. J. B. I'On, J. L. Petigru.

St. Paul's, Pendleton.

Christ Church, Greenville.

Grace Church, Camden.

St. James's, James Island, Dr. Robert Lebby, John Rivers.

St. Peter's Church, Charleston, C. G. Memminger, C. A. DeSaussure, George M. Coffin.

Trinity Church, Society Hill.

Christ Church, Wilton, J. W. Faber, Lewis Morris.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.

Trinity Church, Edgefield.

St. John's, Fairfield.

St. Philip's, Bradford Springs, Charles Sinkler.

Trinity Church, Abbeville.

Church of the Messiah, North Santce.

St. Thaddaus, Aiken, E. R. Laurens, John F. Schmidt.

Emmanuel Church, Chester.

Zion Church, Richland, Thomas B. Clarkson.

Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.

Grace Church, Charleston, F. P. Elford, Dr. Thos. P. Greene.

St. Luke's, Newberry.

Ascension Church, Gillisonville.

Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.

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MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

Charleston, February 20th 1850.

This being the day appointed by the last Convention for the sixty-first Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina, a large number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayer, with the Litany, was said by the Rev. E. T. Walker. The Ante-communion Service was said by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel. A sermon was preached by the Rev. M. A. Curtis. The Bishop then proceeded to administer the Holy Communion, assisted in the delivery of the elements, by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, and the Rev. Messrs. Keith and Barnwell.

A short recess having been taken after the Episcopal Benediction, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop, the Roll called, and a quorum of both Orders found present.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, answered to their names:

BISHOP.

The Rt. Rev. C. E. GADSDEN, D. D.

PRESBYTERS.

| | | - I LILLE. | |
|----------|-------------------|------------|---------------------|
| The Rev. | W. H. Barnwell, | The Re | v. N. Hyatt, |
| 46 | J. B. Campbell, | 6. | W. B. W. Howe, |
| 66 | A. L. Converse, | 46 | B. Johnson, |
| 66 | A. H. Cornish, | 66 . | P. T. Keith, |
| 66 | J. H. Cornish, | 66 | |
| 66 | M. A. Curtis, | 66 | |
| 66 | Thomas F. Davis, | 66 | A. W. Marshall, |
| 46 | William Dehon, | 46 | S. Mellichamp, |
| 44 | C. P. Elliott, | 66 | E. Phillips, |
| 66. | S. Elliott, | 66 | C. C. Pinckney, Jr. |
| 66 | J. R. Fell, | 66 | J. M. Pringle, |
| 66 | C. P. Gadsden, | 66 | E. Reed, |
| 66 | P. Gadsden, | 6+ | P. J. Shand, |
| 66 | P. T. Gervais, | " | W. W. Spear, |
| 66 | R. Graham, | 66 | J. H. Smith, |
| 4.6 | C. H. Hall, | 66 | P. Trapier, |
| 66 | C. Hanckel, D. D. | " | |
| . 66 | J. S. Hanckel, | " | E. T. Walker, |
| 66 | W. H. Hanckel, | " | |
| 66 | R. Henry, D. D. | " | A. Wigfall, |
| 66 | J. Hunter, | 66 | T. J. Young, |
| | | | |

DEACONS.

The Rev. C. T. Bland, The Rev. J. B. Seabrook,

"J. W. McCollough, "J. Ward Simmons,

Delegates were present from the following Parishes and Churches:-

St. Philip's, Charleston; St. James, Santee; St. Andrew's; St. John's, Berkley; St. Thomas and St. Dennis; St. Helena, Beaufort; St. John's, John's Island; Prince Frederick's; Prince William's; St. Michael's, Charleston; All Saints', Waccamaw; St. Matthew's; Edisto Island; Claremont; Pineville and Upper St. John's; St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'; Grace Church, Sullivan's Island; St. James, James Island; St. Peter's, Charleston; Christ Church, Wilton; St. Philip's, Bradford Springs; St. Thaddæus, Aiken; Zion, Richland; Grace Church, Charleston.

The List of Clergy was referred to a Committee, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Young, Hyatt, and Prentiss, who reported as follows:—

The Committee, to whom the List of the Clergy was referred, report the following Clergymen as entitled to all the privileges of members of the Convention, viz:—

The Rt. Rev. C. E. GADSDEN, D. D., Bishop.

Presbyters.

The Rev. Jos. Hunter, The Rev. T.S. Arthur, N. Hyatt, 66 W. H. Barnwell, 66 W. B. W. Howe, 66 J. B. Campbell, 66 Benj. Johnson, A. L. Converse, P. T. Keith, 66 A. H. Cornish, C. E. Leverett, 66 J. H. Cornish, 66 E. C. Logan, 66 M. A. Curtis, D. McElheran, 66 T. F. Davis, 66 S. Mellichamp, William Dehon, 66 E. Phillips, 66 C. P. Elliott, 66 66 C. C. Pinckney, Jr. Stephen Elliott, 66 Wm. O. Prentiss, 66 J. R. Fell, 66 J. M. Pringle, 66 C. P. Gadsden, " 66 Edward Reed, Philip Gadsden, P. J. Shand, 44 A. Glennie, 66 R. Graham, W. W. Spear, 66 J. H. Smith, 46 A. Gregg, 66 Jos. R. Walker, 66 C. H. Hall, " E. T. Walker, 66 Ch. Hanckel, D. D. 66 66 A. Wigfall, J. Stuart Hanckel, 66 A. Woodward, 66 Wm. H. Hanckel, 66 T. J. Young. R. T. Howard,

Deacons.

The Rev. J. D. McCollough,

The Rev. James H. Elliott, "Jos. B. Seabrook.

2. That the following are entitled to all the privileges of Members, except the right to vote in matters relating to the temporal affairs of the Churches, viz:—

Presbyters.

The Rev. H. Elwell, "A. W. Marshall,

" R. S. Seely,

The Rev. P. Trapier,
C. Wallace,
B. C. Webb.

Deacon.

The Rev. J. W. Simmons.

3. That the following Clergymen are entitled to seats, but not votes:—

Presbyters.

The Rev. F. P. Delavaux,

A. Fowler,

" P. T. Gervais,

The Rev. R. Henry, D. D. "M. H. Lance,

" C. B. Walker.

Deacon.

The Rev. George L. Platt.

4. That the following are entitled to neither seats nor votes, viz:-

Presbyters.

The Rev. J. W. Chanler,

" Jas. W. Miles,

" Josiah Obear,

The Rev. Wm. T. Potter, R. D. Shindler,

" I. Swart.

Deacons.

The Rev. L. C. Johnson,

The Rev. B. F. Taylor.

This report was amended by inserting the name of the Rev. C. T. Bland, Deacon, among those entitled to all the privileges of the Convention, his name having been accidentally omitted by the Secretary; and by transferring the name of the Rev. James H. Elliott, Deacon, to the last class, he not having been ordained a year.

The certificates of Lay Delegates were referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs. R. F. W. Allston, J. W. Faber, and T. B. Clarkson.

The Committee reported, that the following gentlemen were elected Delegates to represent the several Churches and Parishes, viz:—

St. Philip's, Charleston, *Daniel Huger, *B. D. Heriot, H. D. Lesesne, J. Pringle Smith.

St. James's, Santee, *C. C. Pinckney, *Dr. A. E. Gadsden, William Lucas, P. P. Mazyck.

St. Andrew's Parish, N. R. Middleton, W. B. Pringle, Dr. T. D. Grimke, *F. S. Holmes.

St. Bartholomew's Parish, Robert Jenkins.

Christ Church Parish.

St. James's Parish, Goose Creek.

St. John's, Berkley, *Dr. Benj. Huger, *Sims White, *John Harleston, K. S. Ball,

St. Thomas and St. Dennis, *Capt. D. N. Ingraham, Dr. E. Ravenel, *J. L. Nowell.

St. Paul's Parish, Stono.

St. Helena, Beaufort, *Dr. Thomas Fuller, Dr. B. B. Sams, John M. Verdier, R. W. Barnwell.

Prince George's Parish, Winyaw.

St. John's Church, John's Island, *S. P. Chisholm, *R. J. La Roche, Daniel La Roche, Dr. M. J. Roper.

Prince Frederick's Chapel, Peedee, *R. F. W. Allston, A. H. Belin, J. R. Sparkman, R. S. Izard.

Prince William's Parish, *James Cuthbert, *Thomas M. Hanckel, *A. H. Seabrook, F. G. Fraser.

St. Michael's Church, Charleston, *Dr. I. M. Campbell, *Dr. H. S. Waring, *Alexander Robertson, *W. Alston Hayne.

St. Mark's Church, Clarendon.

All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw, *Francis M. Weston, *John H. Tucker, Thomas Pinckney Alston, P. C. J. Weston.

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Matthew's Parish, *R. P. Adams.

St. David's Church, Cheraw.

Church on Edisto Island, *Dr. Edward Mitchell, *Wm. Whaley, Dr. B. W. Seabrook.

Claremont Church, Stateburg, *Col. John J. Moore.

St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.

Pineville and Upper St. John's, *H. W. Ravenel, *T. W. Peyre, Maham Palmer, *Julius Porcher.

St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough, *Capt. Thomas Paine, *T. G. Simons, Sr. Col. James Simons.

Trinity Church, Columbia.

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island, *Col. J. B. I'On, *J. L. Petigru, E. W. Mathewes, J. F. Blacklock.

St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.

Christ Church, Greenville.

Grace Church, Camden.

St. James's Church, James Island, *Dr. Robert Lebby, *John Rivers.

St. Peter's Church, Charleston, *C. G. Memminger, *C. A. DeSaussure, *George M. Coffin, Edward Barnwell.

Trinity Church, Society Hill.

Christ Church, Wilton, *J. W. Faber, J. Meggett. *Lewis Morris.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville, Haskell Rhett, William Graham.

Trinity Church, Edgefield.

St. John's Church, Fairfield.

St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs, *Charles Sinkler.

Trinity Church, Abbeville.

Church of the Messiah, North Santee, Andrew Johnston, James H. Ladson, James R. Pringle, J. Hume Lucas.

Church of St. Thaddaus, Aiken, *Edward R. Laurens, Col. James Gadsden, *John F. Schmidt, O. J. Chaffee.

Emmanuel Church, Chester.

Zion Church, Richland, Hon. D. E. Huger, E. E. Bellinger, *Thos. B. Clarkson.

Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.

Grace Church, Charleston, *F. P. Elford, B. S. Rhett, *Dr. Thos. P. Green.

St. Luke's Church, Newberry.

Ascension Church, Gillisonville.

Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.

The Rules of Order were then read.

On motion, the ballot for a Secretary was dispensed with, and the Rev. C. Wallace was unanimously re-elected Secretary.

The Secretary re-appointed the Rev. P. T. Keith his Assistant.

Applications were received from the Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, and Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, desiring to be received into union with the Convention. The applications were referred to a Committee consisting of Dr. I. M. Campbell, and Messrs. Charles Sinkler and Sims White. The Committee reported favorably, and after discussion the above named Churches were received.

The Bishop then appointed as preacher for the next Convention, the Rev. T. S. Arthur, and as his substitute the Rev. H. Elwell.

The following Committees were appointed:-

On unfinished business: the Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Dr. H. S. Waring and F. S. Holmes, Esq.

On Finance: Messrs. Edward R. Laurens, James S. Rhett, and Alexander Robertson.

The Standing Committee reported as follows:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina, respectfully report, that they have recommended to the Bishop for Priest's Orders, the Rev. W. B. W. Howe, the Rev. Edward C. Logan, and the Rev. Christopher P. Gadsden.

^{*} All those marked with an asterisk (*) were present.

For Deacon's Orders, B. Franklin Taylor.

Also, that consent was given by them to the consecration of the Rev. William M. Green, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Mississippi.

C. HANCKEL, President.

The Rev. Mr. Converse offered the following resolution, which was lost:

Resolved, That when the Members are called upon to prepare their ballots for the Standing Committee, and Delegates to the General Convention, the Convention then take a recess of an hour to allow the Members to confer with each other in regard to these elections.

The Rev. Messrs. Fell, Shand, and E. T. Walker, were appointed Tellers of the Clerical votes for the Standing Committee, and Capt. D. N. Ingraham, and Messrs. Elford and DeSaussure, for the Lay votes.

The votes were then cast.

The Committee on unfinished business reported as follows:

The Committee on unfinished business beg leave to report, that the only item of unfinished business they find on the Journal of the last Convention, occurs on the 30th page—a resolution recommitting to the Finance Committee, the first Standing Resolution, with directions to report to this Convention what alterations and amendments may be necessary in it.

J. S. HANCKEL.

Tellers were appointed on the Clerical votes for Delegates to the General Convention, viz:—the Rev. Messrs. C. P. Elliott, Dehon and Marshall. For the Lay votes, Messrs. Chisholm, Dr. Green and Peyre.

The ballot was then taken.

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On motion of the Rev. Mr. Converse, the Rules of Order were amended by striking out sections 7 and 8 from the 3d Rule, and inserting them after section 2d of Rule 4th.

After prayers by the President the Convention adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thursday, February 21st 1850.

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning prayer was read by the Rev. J. H. Smith. A Charge to the Clergy, entitled, "The Times, Theologically Considered," was commenced and in part delivered by the Bishop.

After the dismission of the Congregation, the Roll was called, and a quorum found present.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Names of Members absent yesterday were called.

Certificates of Lay delegation were presented and approved, io behal of Mr. Edward Webb from St. Bartholomew's Parish, and Dr. W. R. T. Prior, J. B. Pyatt, A. T. Porter and J. G. Henning, from Prince George, Winyaw, of whom, Messrs. Webb, Porter, and Henning appeared and took their seats.

The Trustees of the fund for the support of aged and infirm Clergy men, reported as follows:

The Trustees for "Aged and Infirm Clergy," respectfully report statement of their receipts and disbursements furnished by the Treasurer C. E. Gadsden, Chairman.

Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, in account with Jas. R. Pringle, Treasurer of the Trustees.

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| | | \$614 1 |
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| 1849. Nov.24 Dec. 7 | By Amount from last account, By Collections at All-Saints, Waccamaw, rec'd from Rev. A. Glennie " at St. Michael's Church, " " Rev. T. J. Youn " at St. Philip's Church, " " Mr. Trescot, | \$470 7 18 7 56 7 67 9 |
| | | \$614 1 |
| | By Balance brought down, | \$144 1 |
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JAMES R. PRINGLE, Treasurer of the Trustees.

Charleston, Jan. 20, 1850.

The following gentlemen were re-appointed Trustees, viz:-

N. R. Middleton, J. W. Faber, James R. Pringle.

The Tellers of the votes of the Clergy, for Deputies to the General Convention, reported, that the following gentlemen had received a majority of all the Clerical votes cast, viz:—

The Rev. Dr. Hanckel,

"P. Trapier,

J. R. Walker,

C. C. Pinckney, Jr.

"R. F. W. Allston,

Benjamin Huger, M. D.

R. W. Barnwell,

C. G. Memminger.

The Tellers of the votes of the Laity, reported the following names having received a majority of all the Lay votes cast, viz:—

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.
"P. Trapier,

" J. R. Walker,

R. F. W. Allston,
Benjamin Huger, M. D.
R. W. Barnwell,
C. G. Memminger.

One Clerical Deputy not having received a majority of the Lay votes, the votes were taken a second time, when the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Jr. received a majority of all the votes cast in each order, and with those named above was elected.

Messrs. Simons and Allston were appointed on the Finance Committee in place of Messrs. Rhett and Robertson, absent.

The Tellers of the Clerical votes for the Standing Committee, reported, that the following gentlemen had received a majority of all the votes cast in that order, viz:—

Dr. I. M. Campbell,

James H. Ladson,

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.

"Paul Trapier,
"P. T. Gervais,
"P. T. Keith,

P. T. Gervais,
P. T. Keith,
J. S. Hanckel,
E. R. Laurens.

The Tellers of the Lay votes reported, the same gentlemen as having received a majority of all the votes cast in that order, with the exception of Mr. Laurens.

The ballot being taken a second resulted in the election of Ewd. R. Laurens, by a majority of the votes cast in each order.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

The Committee on Finance respectfully report, that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Convention Fund, and found the same correct, and properly stated. The balance in the ITreasurer's hands is \$760.65. The nett income of the Fund is \$585.65, prising solely from the receipt of interest and dividends.

EDWARD R. LAURENS, R. F. W. ALLSTON, Thos. G. SIMONS.

In The Committee on Finance respectfully report, that they have examned the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, and found the came correct and properly vouched. The balance in the Treasurer's lands is \$124.97.

EDWARD R. LAURENS, THOS. G. SIMONS, R. F. W. ALLSTON.

The following report was laid on the table:

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the first Standing Resolution, with directions to report what alterations and amendments, f any are necessary, respectfully report, that they have had the same inder consideration and recommend,

That Grace Church, Charleston, be assessed \$100 per annum.

That the assessment on Christ Church Parish be increased from \$5 to 310, and,

*(That all the other Churches not included in the list added to the first Standing Resolution, be each assessed in the sum of \$5 annually.

All which is respectfully submitted, by

EDWARD R. LAURENS, THOS. G. SIMONS, R. F. W. ALLSTON.

The Treasurer of the Bishop's Funds reported as follows:

| 849 To Cash paid for invest- | | | | By Balance from last year, | | |
|---|--------|-------|--------|---|--------|---|
| | \$1033 | | 11 | " Interest and Dividends, | 1475 | |
| " Incidental Expenses, - | 70 | 20 | ì | " Bond collected, | 97 | 1 |
| " Bishop's Common Fund for 3-4ths Interest and | | | | | | |
| Dividends received, - | 1106 | 71 | | | | |
| " Balance in Treasurer's | | | | | | |
| hands, | 144 | 29 | | | | |
| - | 10000 | | | | 2000 | |
| | \$2330 | 46 | | | \$2330 | 4 |
| | - | - | H | | | |
| R. Bishop's Common Fund, | in acc | r't u | ith Te | ios. G. Simons, Jr. Treasure | r. | C |
| 1849, | | 1 | 1849 | | 1 | |
| an. 2 To Paid the Bishop of the | | | | 1 By Balance from last year, | \$274 | (|
| Diocese, one quarter | | | | 6 " Cash received from the | 9 " | |
| salary, to 1st January | | | | following Churches, viz | ; | |
| 1849, | \$375 | 00 | | St. David's. Cheraw, | - 10 | |
| pril 2 To Paid the Bishop of the | | | | Edisto Island Church, | 50 | |
| Diocese, one quarter | | | | Prince George, Winyaw, | 50 | |
| salary, to 1st of April | 375 | 00 | | Biggin Church & S. Chapel | | |
| in.29 To Paid Treasurer's Com- | 010 | 00 | | St. Helena, St. Hel. Island St. Peter's, Charleston, | - 100 | |
| missions on receipts of | | | | Grace Church, Camden, | 107 | |
| last 6 months, \$1090 | | | | St. John's, ohn's Island, | - 50 | |
| at 5 per cent | | 50 | | Claremont Church, - | - 20 | 1 |
| lly25 To Paid the Bishop of the | | | | Prince Frederick's, Peedee | , 5 | |
| Diocese, one quarter | | | | St. Bartholomew's Church | | |
| salary, to 1st of July | | ~ . | | Christ Church, C.C. Parish | | |
| 1849, | 375 | 00 | | Pr. William's, '46, '47, '49 | | |
| ct. 3 To Paid the Bishop of the | | | | Greenville Church, - | 15 | |
| Diocese, one quarter salary, to 1st October | | | | James Island, Church of the Holy Trinity. | | |
| 1849,- | 375 | 00 | | Grahamville, - | 15 | |
| ec.31 To Balance in Treasurer's | 010 | | | Pineville & Upper St. John | | |
| hands, | 916 | 00 | | St. Helena, Beaufort, - | 35 | |
| | | | | Christ Church, Wilton, . | 15 | |
| | | | | St. Michael's, Charleston, ? | 300 | |
| | | | | 1848, (| 300 | |
| | | | | St. Philip's, Charleston 1848, | 250 | |
| | | | | Trinity Church, Columbia, | 30 | , |
| | | | | | | _ |
| | | | | Total from Churches, | | |
| | | | | Bishop's Permanent Fund, | | |
| | | | | for transfer of 3-4ths of | | |
| 1 | | | | annual income received, | 1106 | |
| | \$2470 | 73 | | | \$2470 | Ì |
| | | | | | | |

| 1849 To Incidental expenses, "Balance in hand, | \$44 28 1849 By State Stock redeeme 760 65 " Interest and dividend | |
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| | \$805 03 | \$805 03 |

On motion, the assessment of St. Matthew's Parish to the Bishop's Fund, was reduced from twenty to ten dollars per annum.

The election of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary was

then entered into.

The Rev. Mr. Young declined being a candidate for re-election, but all the former Trustees were again nominated by the Convention. At the earnest request of the Rev. Mr. Young, he was excused from serving. The vacancy was then filled by the nomination of the Rev. P. J. Shand. It having been shown that the Diocese is entitled to an additional Trustee making fourteen in all, the Rev. E. Reed was nominated. The following persons therefore, were nominated (subject to confirmation by the General Convention) as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, viz:—

The Rev. Paul Trapier,

" Dr. Hanckel,
" J. R. Walker,

" A. L. Converse,
" A. Glennie,

" W. H. Barnwell,

" P. J. Shand, E. Reed,

N. Russel Middleton, Robert W. Barnwell, C. G. Memminger, Edward R. Laurens, R. F. W. Allston, Benjamin Huger, M. D,

Mr. Clarkson presented a memorial, as follows:

To the Rt. Rev. President and Rev. Clergy and Lay Delegates of the Protestant Episcopal Church of South-Carolina, in their Annual Convention assembled;

The memorial of Thomas Boston Clarkson, Executor of the last Will

and Testament of the late Mrs. Elizabeth A. Clarkson, showeth:

That his honored mother, of whom he is Executor, by a writing ad-A dressed to her legatees, expressed the following intention, that is to say: I wish to give a certain amount for the support of Zion Church, Richland District, by which I mean the lower Church, as well as the one at the Cross Roads; and purpose to do it as follows, viz:—that you pay out of my estate the sum of two thousand dollars into the hands of the Convention of this Diocese, with the condition and obligation on their part, that it shall be invested in such manner as they shall deem safest and best, and the interest arising therefrom shall be appropriated towards the support of such minister or ministers as shall from time to time be elected by the Vestry of said Church, with the expectation, and it is one of the considerations on which this bequest is made, that every such minister as shall be elected to the charge of said Church, will regard the blacks of the neighborhood as a part of his charge, and sharing in his services, with the whites, as far as he shall be allowed access to them. Should the said Vestry at any time fail to elect a minister, then the interest accruing on this bequest during the vacancy shall be applied to the Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Africa and China. And should the congregation of said Church be altogether dissolved, the interest accruing as aforesaid, shall be appropriated to the Foreign Missions generally, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, until such time, as a said congregation may be re-organized, when it shall again be appropriated to the purpose for which it was first intended.

With consent of all parties interested, your memorialist has discharged the duty imposed on him by the injunctions of his parent, and has in his hands the donation of two thousand dollars, and fifty dollars which has accrued thereon as interest; and requests the Convention to take such order as may be proper for receiving the said fund, and discharging your memorialist from his obligation towards them, and towards the intentions of his honored mother.

On motion of the Rev. J. S. Hanckel,

Resolved, That the Convention having received from Thomas Boston Clarkson, Esq., an account of a donation made by the late Mrs. Elizabeth A. Clarkson, to certain pious purposes under the supervision of this Convention, accept of the donation with thankfulness and profound respect for the memory of the pious donor. And that her intentions may be fully carried into effect, it is ordered, that three Trustees be appointed to take charge of the said fund, and to lay out the income according to the plan prescribed by Mrs. Clarkson; and that they be furnished with a copy of the writing by which her intentions are declared, as set forth in Mr. Clarkson's memorial. And it shall be the duty of the said Trustees, strictly to pursue the terms of the Trust, as declared by Mrs. Clarkson, and to invest the fund according to the best of their ability and judgment, in order to secure the purposes of the pious donor. And that they annually report their proceedings to this Convention; and in case of a vacancy happening in their number, by death, removal, or resignation, it shall be the duty of the Convention to supply such vacancy as the same may from time to time occur, by filling up the number of the Trustees.

And it is further ordered, That

be appointed Trustees of the said fund: and that upon their receipt of the same, it shall be the duty of the Secretary and Treasurer of this Convention to give Mr. Clarkson a discharge in ample terms from all accountability towards this Convention as Executor of his mother.

The blank was filled up by the names of the Hon. Daniel E. Huger, Wm. Clarkson, and Thomas Boston Clarkson, as Trustees.

The Parochial reports were laid on the table.

After prayers and the benediction by the President, the Convention adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday, February 22d 1850.

The Convention met according to adjournment.

Morning prayer with the Litany, was said by the Rev. Thos. F. Davis.

The Charge of the Bishop to the C!ergy was continued and finished.

After the dismissal of the Congregation, and a recess, the Convention was called to order, and a quorum of both Orders obtained.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address, as follows:

Brethren, the Presbyters, Deacons, and Laymen of the Convention:

By the good Providence of God, the representative body of the diocese is permitted to hold its sixty-first annual meeting, and instructed by

the Canon,* this statement is now presented.

I. Canonical visits (27 in number) have been made to these Churches and places:—Calvary, Charleston, 2 days; Grace, Charleston; St. James, James Island; Prince George's; Prince Frederick's; All Saints; St. James, Santee; Zion, on 2 days; Claremont; St. Marks; Clarendon, on 2 days; St. Philip's, Bradford Springs; Trinity, Edgefield; St. Luke's, Newberry; (the visit made, but no service;) Epiphany, at Laurens, on 3 days; Calvary, at Glen Springs, on 4 days; Advent, Spartanburg; Christ, Greenville; St. Paul's, Pendleton, on 2 days; Anderson Village; Trinity, Abbeville; Yorkville; Emanuel, Chester; St. Johns, Winnsborough, on 2 days; Grace, Sullivan's Island; Chapel of the Cross, Bluffton, 2 days; St. Paul's, Charleston District, and Christ Church Parish.

Informal visits, (24 in number) were made, to the Church of the Holy Communion on 3 days; Pineville on 4 days; Upper St. John's on 2 days; St. James', Goose Creek, twice; St. Stephen's, Charleston, on 6 days; Summerville on 3 days; Barnwell Village; St. John's, Hampstead, on 8 days; Tottness; Aiken on 3 days; Christ

Church on 2 days; Sullivan's Island; St. Bartholomews.†

In the year 1850, Divine Providence permitting, those parishes and stations will be visited, which were not in 1849, namely, south of Charleston 11; and north of, and in Charleston, 16; and the Clergymen, Vestries, and others concerned, are respectfully requested to consider this information as a canonical notice, of my intention—the day to

be specified by letter.

II. The number of the "confirmed" on 29 occasions, 4 of them in private was, viz: of Grace, Charleston, 14; Calvary, Charleston, 8; Prince George, 4; All Saints, 30; Upper St. John's, 57; Pineville, 13; St. John's, Hampstead, 4; Zion, 1; St. Mark's, 2; Claremont, 89; St. Philip's, Bradford, 1; at Col. Moore's Chapel, 16; St. Thaddæus, 6; Trinity, Edgefield, 1; St. Stephen's, 25; Calvary, Glen Springs, 6; St. Paul's, Pendleton, 5; Christ Church, Greenville, 15; Trinity, Abbeville, 1; St. John's, Winnsborough, 1; Grace, Sullivan's

^{*} The VIII of 1841.

[†] Particulars as to the visits were from time to time, published in the Gospel Messenger. ‡ Canon XXVI.

Island, 5; Walterborough, 5; Bluffton, 7; St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro', 22; St. Philip's, 16; St. Michael's, 2; St. Peter's, 8; Christ Church, 4. Total, 365.

III. No one has been received as a "Candidate for Holy Orders," since the last Convention. There are at present four Candidatee, viz: Edwin A. Wagner, Paul Gervais Jenkins, pursuing his studies at our General Theological Seminary; Augustus Moore, and J. G. Drayton.

IV. The names of those "ordained" as Deacons, arc J. H. Elliott, and B. F. Taylor; and as Priests, W. B. W. Howe, E. C. Logan, and C. P. Gadsden. A Presbyter, Jedediah Huntington, M. D., has been

displaced, he having renounced the Pro. Epis. Church.

V. "The changes among the Clergy" are as follows: 1849, March 6, the Rev. E. Reed has been elected Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield, and the Canonical notice was sent to the Secretary of the Convention.

April 24.—The Rev. J. H. Elliott, Deacon, has been elected Assistant to the Rector of St. Helena's, Beaufort, and the Canonical notice disposed of according to the Canon.

Sept. 17.—The Rev. B, F. Taylor, Deacon, was transferred by me to

the Diocese of New York, but not yet accepted.

The Rev. R. S. Seely is engaged for his support in the charge of a school in Chester district, and will officiate on the Lord's Day at one or more places in that district, for which I have recognized him as a Missionary.

The Rev. R. D. Shindler has resigned the Mission at Orangeburgh. The Rev. B. Johnson has removed from Gillisonville, and been

elected Rector of St. Matthew's Parish.

The Rev. M. H. Lance, in the autumn, officiated at Barnwell Court House, and during the summer, assisting the Rectors in Aiken, and in Christ Church Parish, gratuitously.

The Rev. J. W. Miles, during the summer and autumn, has officiated at St. Michael's Church, Charleston, as temporary Assistant, the Stated

Assistant having been absent for the recovery of his health.

The Rev. J. Obear is officiating at Randolph, in the Diocese of Vermont, having left the Diocese, (we trust only temporarily) there being at present no vacancy in it, which will afford adequate support for himself and family.

VI. Of "matters in general, tending to throw light on the state of the Diocese," agreeably to the Canon, I report as follows: Three examinations were held for Priest's Orders, and six for Deacon's Orders.

One Church was consecrated, viz: "Calvary," in the city of Charleston, on the fourth Sunday in Advent, of which the Rev. Paul Trapier is the Minister.

"The Church of the Holy Communion," in Cannonsburgh, has had, during the summer and autumn, faithful and useful services, gratuitously rendered by the Rector of St. Thomas, (Rev. E. Phillips) and during the winter by a candidate for Holy Orders, acting as a Lay Rea-

der, (Mr. E. A. Wagner.)

Of the five divisions of Charleston Neck, three of them now have Churches, viz: St Paul's. in Radcliffeboro'; St. John's, in Hampstead, and the Church of the Holy Communion, in Cannonsboro'. Many years ago, a lot of land in Wraggsborough, contiguous to Mazyckboro', was given for a Church, by the heirs of the late John Wragg, Esq.

On twelve occasions, various services were held, having more especial reference to the class of servants, (white persons being also present,) namely, in All Saints, at Mr. F. M. Weston's, and at Mr. J. H. Tucker's; in Upper St. John's, at Mr. T. Porcher's; at Mrs. T. Porcher's, Whitehall, and at Mr. S. Dubose's; in Pineville at St. Stephen's Chapel; in Richland District, at Mr. W. Clarkson's, and at the plantation of the late much lamented Mr. John Clarkson; in Christ Church Parish, at Mr. John Hamlin's; in St. James's, Goose-creek, at Mr. J. B. Edwards, three times; also in Charleston, on Wednesday nights, at St. Stephen's Chapel—this service being kindly supplied, when I was absent from the city, or specially engaged, at my request, by one of my brethren of the Clergy. In my address last year, it was stated that there were at least ten Chapels on plantations. It is believed that additional Chapels for the same pious and benevolent purpose have been provided during the year, though I am not specially informed, excepting Calvary Church in Charleston, which has a special regard to the class of servants in the city. Of the number confirmed, 222 were of this class.

The School founded by this Convention having neither funds, nor patrons, has not been revived, but it affords me pleasure to state, that the School of St. Philip's Parish, for boys, has been revived, and that several of the Clergy have commenced, or are desirous to commence for the young of their charge, (and for others who may apply to be pupils,) schools in which the mind and the conscience will be simultaneously regarded. They who desire their children taught, and trained as Christians, not only at home, and in the Church, but in the school room also, will of course avail themselves of such schools. Schools connected with our Parishes existed before the Revolution, and there is no reason they

should not now.

The three Societies auxiliary to the Church, viz: "the Advancement," "the Female Missionary," and "the Relief," have engaged a portion of my time, and also the Board of Trustees for "aged and infirm Clergy." I regret to have to state that the collection recommended by the Convention on Thanksgiving day, has been made by only a few of the Churches.

It affords me great pleasure to state that there was committed to me by an unknown benefactor \$200; designated for Newberry Mission, 50; Laurens Mission, 50; Diocesan Missions, 20; Widows of destitute Ministers, 20; disabled Ministers, 20; Mariners, 15; Bible and Prayer Book Society, 10. Balance, \$15, "as you may feel disposed." This balance was applied to the education of a promising indigent youth.

For Friday, August 3, appointed by the President of the United States, to be observed as "a day of Humiliation and Prayer," in reference to the then prevailing cholera, I set forth, as required by Canon 47, an order of services, the same prepared by our late revered Bishop

on the occasion of the same calamity, in September 1836.

On St. Luke's day, I addressed a pastoral letter to the Clergy and Laity, transmitting a form of thanksgiving for the averting of the cholera

from our vicinity, and its removal from the country.

November 12.—By request of "the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions," I addressed a circular to the Clergy, giving my "official sanction" to a collection on "Advent Sunday," or some other

Sunday in December, for Missions. It was published in the Gospel Messenger.

The exposition of the Church Catechism, by Bishop Ken, being regarded by me as one of unsurpassed excellence, I prepared a brief preface in recommendation of it, as I did, some years ago for the work entitled "the New Week's Preparation." Both these books, the former in 1849, and the latter in 1846, have been printed, and I earnestly

| mer in 1040, and the latter in 1010, have been printed, and | | J |
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| commend them to the use of the members of the Diocese. | | |
| For Missions in South-Carolina, there was placed in my | | |
| Miss Pinckney and Mrs. Izard, | | |
| Mrs. Simons, | 50 | 00 |
| The unknown benefactor before referred to, | 120 | 00 |
| A Member of St. Philip's, | 7 | 50 |
| Do. do., | 24 | 00 |
| Do. of John's Island, | 5 | 00 |
| Anonymous, | 6 | 00 |
| Camden, | 98 | 00 |
| St. Michael's, | 11 | 00 |
| Charleston Missionary Lecture, | 70 | 00 |
| Georgetown, | 31 | 00 |
| Prince Frederick's, | 25 | 00 |
| Pineville and Upper St. John's, | 72 | 00 |
| All Saints, | 60 | 00 |
| St. Philip's, Charleston, | 144 | 00 |
| Stateburg, | 38 | 00 |
| Columbia, | 65 | 00 |
| Christ Church, | | 00 |
| The amount not designated was | 362 | |
| Of this amount, was paid for the Missions at St. Stephen's | | |
| and St. John's, Charleston district, | 72 | 00 |
| Anderson, | 60 | |
| Railroad ticket for three quarters of the year, | 45 | |
| Orangeburg, | 64 | |
| Sullivan's Island, | 30 | |
| Barnwell Village, | 21 | |
| Spartanburg, | 50 | |
| St. Matthew's, | 20 | |

\$362 00*

The whole amount was contributed by eight individuals and eleven congregations. There are 50 on the list of Parishes and Churches. There are two Missionary Societies in the Diocese, and to them, and to the General Missionary Society, several of the congregations and individuals do contribute statedly.

Of the 29 districts in South-Carolina, there are, having each one officiating Minister of our Church, 9; having each two Ministers, 2; having each three Ministers, 2; having each more than three, 3; vacant, not

having a single Minister, 13.

There are only sixteen Missionaries stationed in eleven of the districts. To supply the vacant districts by a Missionary, for two or three of the

^{*} Since received from St. Helena Island, \$10.

congregations therein, appeared to me the only practicable method, and application was made for assistance to the "Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South-Carolina." But it did not meet with a favorable response. To pious and benevolent individuals, and to congregations interested in the growth of the Church, I do therefore now earnestly appeal. If the means are placed at my disposal, a Missionary will be sent to each of those vacant congregations which are unable to sustain a Pastor, and also to each Court House Village, or if so much cannot be done to the more prominent localities. To repeat the language of my last year's address, (as alas, the case is not altered for the better,) "may I not reasonably request that the members of this Convention will use their influence to prevent the greater portion of the contributions of the benevolent being diverted from the Missions at home, under the erroneous impression, that the claims abroad are more pressing, or in any respect entitled to a preference. Let Churches, and Ministers, and Parochial Schools, and Bibles, and Prayer-Books for distribution, be multiplied in South-Carolina, and the result would ultimately advance Missions in our sister States, and in foreign lands, far more than they can be by the present method of scattering our resources, now here, now thereplanting a Mission, and before it has taken root, abandoning it. The Missionaries near us, it must be permitted me to add, are not adequately maintained, and thus they are discouraged, and compelled to give more or less of their time and attention to secular employments, or to leave the Diocese. In the hope that, under the blessing of God, the sense of the obligation of promoting Missions, might be awakened or deepened, a statement of the conditionand prospects of the Missions under the direction of our branch of the Church has been prepared, and read by me at "the Monthly Missionary Lecture," commenced by my respected predecessor in 1834, who prepared the prayer adapted to the occasion which is now used, and the fact that we specially invoke the direction and blessing of God on this sacred cause, is a sufficient motive for continuing the monthly meeting, although "only two or three are gathered together." The correspondence of our Missionaries, diocesan, domestic, and foreign, has been read in an abridged form, and though it is highly interesting, the result, either in the form of increase of the number of hearers, or of the collection, has not been encouraging. But we ever have the consolation: "If the work be of God, (as we humbly trust it is,) it cannot come to nought." It is with the same view, in part at least, that is, to increase the interest in the advancement of the Church, that much of my time is given to assist in keeping up the Monthly Periodical of the Diocese, "the Gospel Messenger." The usefulness, nay, the almost necessity of such a publication, as the medium of correspondence with different localities in the Diocese-as the depository of Church papers—as an intelligencer of Gospel news—and as a defender and teacher for the Church, has been often brought to your notice, and I have now only to repeat the wish, and the hope, that it might have more contributors, readers, and subscribers!"

Communications from "the Ecclesiastical authority," (such as Pastoral letters, and forms of prayer for special occasions) are usually made through the periodical paper of each Diocese, and therefore, unless reference be made to "the Gospel Messenger," the Clergy and

Vestries, and the Laity generally, will not receive those communications. Canon 48, Section 2d, will satisfy any one of the indispensableness of some such publication.

The number of miles travelled on diocesan duties was 2,790. The number of letters received, replies to which occupied much time, was

275.

My official expenditures, (including contributions for Churches, Missions, &c.) amounted to \$900.

I pass to some suggestions of a more general nature. It has been noticed, with regret, that the teaching provided by the Church,* is, in some of our congregations, not given to the people, in its fulness. For example, one of the Articles of the Apostle's Creed is not repeated, neither it, nor the substitute, and it may well be questioned, whether the omission is not forbidden, inasmuch as the discretion given to the "Church," is not given to the individual Minister. In some congregations, the Fast and Festival days,† other than Sundays, not being observed, or only some of them, the prescribed instruction is of course lost to the people. "Daily Morning" and "Evening Prayer" are said in only one of the Churches, as far as I am informed—six congregations in Charleston have provided a remedy by an arrangement for "Daily Prayer" in one of them.

It is obvious that the *complete* body of the Church's teaching is placed in the reach of those of her members *only* who have the opportunity of the daily morning and evening instruction, set forth in the Book of Common Prayer, to be given from the desk and altar in the Church. The Ante-Communion is read on every Sunday, we have

reason to believe, with few, if any exceptions.

It is my duty, (by no means an agreable one) to invite your attention to a matter which is deemed by many of much importance. In "the College of S. Carolina," the common property of all the people, the members of our Church are subject to a disability, namely, that of not having free permission to attend the services of Trinity Church, Columbia, on the Lord's day. Appeals on this subject have been made to me, and remonstrances addressed to individuals in authority in several ways, and by publications in the Gospel Messenger. The Bishop of Maine in his address, July 1849, remarked: \(\text{"It is undoubtedly a hardship upon us, that the statutes of } \) the College of Bowdoin (which is a State Institution,) permit no undergraduate to attend regularly at any other than the Congregational place of worship in the town, except on the written application of the parent or guardian." The Missionary at Chapel Hill, N. C. || also complains that the students are prohibited (except the very few who are communicants,) from leaving the University Chapel (this University is also supported by the State) in the forenoon, but they can attend the evening services. The

^{*} The distinction between the lessons of the *Church* and the lessons of the *Minister*, and the obligation of imparting the former, and the preference due to it above individual teaching, were topics in my second Charge in 1846.

[†] Even Christmas, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday, are not celebrated in some Churches, we trust only a few.

[‡]September number 1843, page 202, and December number, 1848, page 267, and December number 1849, page 303.

[§]Journal of the Convention of Maine, 1848, page 13.

| Journal of the Convention of North Carolina, page 21.

rule of the College of South Carolina, is far more stringent than that of the two Colleges just named; for, as we understand, it prohibits attendance on our Church services either afternoon or morning, unless there is produced, not merely as at Bowdoin, a "written application" but a declaration to the effect, that the parent or guardian conscientiously objects to the College Chapel services. It is obvious that the courtesy, for which our fellow citizens are remarkable, and various other considerations,* will prevent some parents from making the required declaration. It is gratifying to me, however, to know that there are a few who have not flinched from what they conceived to be their duty in the premises. gratifying contrast with these novel College regulations, is that of the College of William & Mary, in Virginia, of which, the assistant Bishop of that Diocese is the President, for it enacts that "Students will be permitted to attend, at the option of their parents either of the three places of worship in the city of Williamsburg." The faculty (they remark,) themselves not all of one Church, will not seek to bias the denominational opinions of any student," At the Gymnasium, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, there is this regulation: "The pupils will attend with the teachers, unless written notice be sent by the parent to the Principal, specifying some other denomination."

"The P. E. Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina," instituted in 1810, is not only a Missionary and Education Society, but a Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society. "The Episcopal Female "Bible, Prayer-Book and Tract Society," was instituted in 1827. For these objects, important as they undoubtedly are, it may well be questioned, whether we need a third Society. But at a time like the present, to avoid new Tracts, to limit the circulation to such as have been in use from generation to generation, and by the members of our Communion almost universally approved; and to appropriate the greatest amount (not less than two thirds I would respectfully suggest) to the distribution of the "Book of Common Prayer," a platform, happily, on which we all may meet, are measures too obviously expedient to need

an argument.

In our efforts to extend the blessings of the Church to Foreign lands, to our large country generally, and in our Diocese to the two classes of the master and the servant, we have entirely overlooked the constantly increasing number of Seamen in our large commercial city. By the ancient office in the Book of Common Prayer, entitled "Forms of Prayer to be used at Sea," the Church has impressively inculcated the obligation of considering the special wants of those whose home is on the mountain deep. In our father-land, and in several cities of our own land, much has been done and is doing for them by Ministers and members of our Communion. Has not the time arrived, when in this Diocese should be followed these good examples? The zealous and successful Pastor for Seamen in Philadelphia, is a native of our State. Many of this class it is believed are members of our Church, and they who are not, (as experience proves in other cities) would gladly avail themselves of a Chapel, which might be either floating on the river or a wharf, under the direction of one of our Clergy. Such an institution would embrace in its

^{*} Some of them are stated in the article "Rights of Conscience" in the Gospel Messenger for Sept. 1848 page 202; also, Oct. 1849, page 215, and Dec., page 267.

charity the Seaman's family, and the mass of all colours, who on the Lord's day loiter about our wharves, and whose case is attempted to be provided for in some cities, by the very objectionable measure of street

preaching.

The present occasion is used to submit the request, that each member of our Church who has not the opportunity of pastoral services, will inform me, as to his or her place of residence, and also the names of their children, in order that the endeavor may be made to supply them with the services of the Church. The means at my disposal do not admit the sending to such localities resident Pastors, and the only remedy is an itinerant Ministry whose duty shall be once or oftener in the year to officiate in the neighborhood of each individual, who is a member of our Church.

Respecting our Theological Seminary, the occasion is embraced to remark, that to it we are indebted for much of the Theological learning of our Clergy, of whom a large proportion, (about one-fifth of the whole) and of the officiating Clergy of this Diocese, (about one-third) were taught there. The Professors are perhaps of almost every shade of Theology tolerated in the Church. Of the students, some may have had a too great leaning in one direction (Romanism,) and others in the contrary direction, (Genevanism). To either tendency, no countenance should be given. But wherefore is the one danger so much talked of, and the

other scarcely if at all noticed?

In this day of ultraism, and agitation, when sound principles are maintained without their proper limitations, and for the calm yet decided action which becomes a Christian, is substituted passion in words and deeds, it is gratifying to notice the moderation, both as to faith and practice, in our Diocese. That this result is in part attributable to what has well been called indifferentism, we do not deny, but we trust, it is, in degree, to be traced to a substantial agreement among us, as to doctrine and duty. It is believed there are few, who deny the doctrine of "the Apostolical succession," of "universal redemption" and of the Sacraments, as being "generally necessary to salvation," and that by no one is the. teaching of the Church (so exact and full in the Liturgy) set aside to give more time, and claim more importance for the teaching of the Minister. In the pulpit, the discrepancies, which may exist are probably to be traced to the different estimation of the various dangers to the faithsome apprehending most Romanism and superstition, others Puritanism and fanaticism, and others Rationalism and Infidelity. The difference in the choice of measures for guarding and extending the Church may be traced to the same cause. Let us strive and pray, that we may be much more "joined together in the same mind, and the same judgment," and the same action against the common enemy, irreligion under the various forms of unbelief, and error, and conduct, and if that union may not be, that we may have, "one heart, and keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace." In our own, and our Mother Church in Great Britain, events remarkably analogous have, within no distant time transpired. There, some have seceded to the Romanists, and another, to the Baptists, and here, some to the former, and one to the Presbyterians. facts are cause for sadness. But there is no reason to believe that the example in the one direction, or the other, will be followed by many, and if it should be, to a much greater extent, than is now anticipated, the

Churchman will be roused to contend yet more earnestly for "the faith once delivered to the Saints," and will be fortified in those principles, which he has adopted, not without due examination, by the recollection that truth is often in the minority, and that our Lord has said "Fear not little flock."

The developments of the year, ought to persuade the Clergy to adhere strictly to the teachings of the Church; and the people to remonstrate, if these teachings are set aside, or curtailed. The teaching of the pulpit, even in our own Church; and of the press, although guided by those who call themselves Churchmen, is discrepant in such a degree, if not contradictory, as to embarrass the many. Let us be thankful for, and faithful in the use of the Catechism, the Liturgy, the Articles, and the Prayer Book in general, and under the grace of God, all will be well. Is there Antinomianism in the Pulpit? At the Chancel we have the moral law. Is parity taught by the individual? Every Ember-day we pray for the "divers orders" in Christ's Church. Is the preacher leaning to Rome? There is a corrective in the moderate respect for the Virgin Mary, which our offices inculcate. Does he preach the doctrine of particular redemption? He has just invoked in the Litany, "God the Son, Redeemer of the world." But farther illustration is not necessary. In the Prayer Book, we have "the doctrine, and sacraments, and discipline of Christ as this Church hath received the same." Would that we could say as much of all the sermons and pub-

lications by members of our Communion?

The movement to found a "Church Home," although only in its initiatory state, must have a brief notice. A Christian sister, in a state of destitution, might hesitate to enter the public alms house, but it would be unreasonable in such a one, not to gladly avail herself of a "Church Home," where her sympathies would be gratified, and not only her temporal, but her spiritual necessities regarded. The dying parent might be pained, by the reflection that his daughter would soon be committed to the general Orphan House, but he would be consoled by the knowledge that the Church had a home for this young member of Christ, and child of God. The Church may not be able, or think she is not able to provide for all her poor; but, should the attempt to provide for her daughters be blessed with success, she will be encouraged to the like measure for the relief of her aged, infirm, and infant poor sons. The Church may not be able to provide entirely for her female poor, and therefore require them to make a return for the relief afforded, by acting, or being trained to act as nurses in families for the children, and for the sick poor generally in our growing metropolis. Such is a sketch of the design of a "Church Home;" but the zealous Committee will soon publish the plan in detail of their pious and benevolent undertaking, and it is now heartily commended to the generous consideration of the members of our Communion.

In conclusion, (inasmuch as several of the statements, and suggestions now made, concern not exclusively the members of the Convention, but quite as much congregations and individuals,) permit me respectfully to request of the Clergy, that this address or a portion of it, be read in the Church on some occasion of public worship.

Brethren, "The Lord be with you," now, and always to teach, to

help to comfort and to bless Amen and Amen!

The report of the Committee on Calvary Church was read as follows :

In their last report, your Committee mentioned that they had entered into a contract for building a Church edifice on the lot previously purchased by them, at the corner of Beaufain and Wilson-streets, in this city. The work was accordingly soon after commenced. Encouraged by the fact that many persons at first hostile to the measure, and others who doubted its expediency, had become friends and advocates, and by the liberal and unsolicited subscriptions that were added to their lists, they were gratified to believe that it would go on without any serious attempt to obstruct it, and indeed with the general approval and good wishes of the community. But this hope was for a time overclouded. In the month of July last, when a great excitement pervaded our city, by reason of a very painful occurrence at the Work-house, and when the building was nearly completed, a large number of persons assembled near the spot at night, some of whom threatened its destruction. The number of these was however small, and it was difficult to understand the motives or reasons of the movement. The great majority were drawn there for the purpose of preventing lawless violence. No mischief was perpetrated; and a large and generel meeting of citizens was soon after held in our Town Hall, when the subject of the design and organization of Calvary Church, and some other matters connected with the recent movement, were referred to a Committee of fifty persons for investigation. This Committee, so constituted as to embody every variety of opinion on the various topics which were to come under discussion, addressed themselves with great assiduity to the labor devolved upon them. A thorough scrutiny into all the matters involved in the reference to them, resulted in a report in which Cavalry Church is spoken of in these terms:

"In regard to Calvary Church, we find that it is a House of Worship, "set up by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of South-"Carolina, and supported by voluntary contributions. That the propriety "of establishing such a Church, was discussed more than once in the "Convention-the lay-members of which body constitute an important "part of the proprietary interest of the low country. That the Church "is placed under the control of a regular Minister, approved by the "Bishop and appointed by six Trustees, who are themselves selected by "the Convention. That the plan of the Church provides accommoda-"tion for fifty [ninety] white members, by seats set apart and raised, "and by a distinct entrance; keeping before the eyes of the congrega-"tion at all times, a sensible image of the subordination that is due to "those to whom, by the course of Providence, they are to look up as "their rulers. That all the teaching and preaching permitted there, is "openly, publicly, and exclusively conducted by the Minister, and by "that part of the congregation consisting of white persons; and every "circumstance connected with the Church, shows that nothing could be "further from the intention of the founders, than to weaken the safe-"guards of public peace and order."

"From this review of the matter, it is evident that Calvary Church is "erected for a lawful purpose; that the safeguards against disorder and "unlawful combination in that Church are much greater than the jea-

"lousy of the law has hitherto imposed, and that, so far from a bad ex"ample, it may be deserving of attention, as a model for others engaged
"in the same laudable work."

And among the resolutions appended to the report was the following: "Resolved, That the establishment of religious worship in Calvary "Church, on the plans adopted by the authors of that undertaking, con"travenes no law of the State, and furnishes no ground of alarm."

This report was submitted to another large meeting of citizens in November last, and unanimously adopted. Thus a movement which filled with painful apprehension, not only those connected with this enterprize, but all who have a proper appreciation of good order and the supremacy of the law, was overruled by Providence to the happiest consequences. An opportunity was by this means afforded of removing prejudices and misapprehensions that had taken possession of the minds of many, and which could not otherwise have been reached. And your Committee believe that Calvary Church now enjoys the favorable consideration of the community at large, which is so important to its usefulness and success.

Your Committee have felt from the first, that it would be unwise to act in defiance of well ascertained public opinion, however ill-founded it might be. In conformity with this conviction, they suspended the work on the building while the subject of the Church underwent the examination of the Committee of Citizens. But, when the report was submitted and approved, they resumed it, and readily adopted the only change in the plan that it recommended; which was to make a more marked discrimination than they had deemed necessary between the portion of the Church appropriated to the whites and that for the black or colored portion of the congregation. The building was consecrated on the 23d of December, and services have been regularly held in it ever since. For information respecting the number composing the congregation, and other particulars concerning it, they beg leave to refer to the report of its zealous Minister, which in its unvarnished statements, furnishes convincing evidence that this enterprize, under the blessing of Providence, is likely to realize your anticipations in helping to give the Gospel to our servants.

Your Committee take pleasure in acknowledging the liberal subscriptions, which have been freely made since their last report, and in bearing testimony to the very efficient assistance which has been rendered by several ladies, who have devoted themselves with unobtrusive ardour to this unostentatious work of Christian charity. The building has been completed at a cost (including the price of the lot) of \$5,209, and various other expenses, embracing salary of the Minister, room hire, printing, &c., have been defrayed to the amount of \$1,171. The property is entirely free from the incumbrance of debt; but your Committee were compelled to obtain a loan, which is now reduced to the sum of \$600. To enable them to pay this amount, and enclose the Church lot with a decent railing, and make some small improvements in the building, necessary to the comfort of the congregation, they have to appeal once more to the Christian liberality of their brethren; and experience tells them that the only appeal required is to make known their wants.

Respectfully submitted,

This report was received as information.

On motion, Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be presented to the Organist of St. Michael's Church for her very acceptable services.

Resolved, That the usual compensation be paid to the Sexton of St. Michael's Church.

Resolved, That the usual number of copies of the Journal, &c., be printed.

After prayers by the President, the Convention adjourned.

C. E. GADSDEN, President.

Attest,

C. WALLACE, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL, MISSIONARY AND OTHER REPORTS,

ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY.

REPORT OF THE BISHOP.

St. Philip's Charleston.

Rt Rev. C. E. Gadsden, Rector. The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—20 white children; 16 colored; total 36. Marriages, 3 white; 5 colored; total, 8. Burials, 25 white; 6 colored; total, 31. Communicants, 292 white; colored not known; Non-communicants, 310; colored not ascertained. Children under 14, 216 white; colored not ascertained. Families, 166 white; colored not ascertained. Families longing to other congregations, not ascertained. Children catechised on 34 days, about 65 white; 20 colored; total, 85. Confirmed by the Bishop, 14 white; 3 colored; total 17. Sunday Schools--Number of Teachers, 17 white; 10 colored; total, 27; No. of Scholars, 95 white; 84 colored; total, 179. Public worship, St. Philip's Church, 52 Sundays; on 137 other days; whole number of times, 248.

Remarks.—What was stated in the report of February 1849, with respect to the number of Members, Baptisms, Catechising, Sunday Schools, and week-day services, equally applies this year, and therefore

is not repeated.

Holy Communion.—It was administered on 15 Sundays, including Easter, Whitsunday and Trinity, also on Christmas and Ascension days and in private 8 times.

Charity. - The alms at the Holy Communion, amounted to \$772, ex-

ceeding by \$172 the amount received the previous year.

Missions.—The collections for Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions, amounted to \$740, exceeding by \$30, the amount of the previous

year.

Special Contributions.—After a Sermon in February, for the Church buildings at Glenn's Springs, Spartanburg village, and Laurensville, \$58; on Good Friday, for the Jews, 29; on Thanksgiving day, for the Aged and Infirm Clergy, 67; and, for pious purposes, approved by the Rector, from 5 persons, \$181. Members of this flock have contributed, more or less, to the three general institutions of the Church, and to eight in the Diocesc, the same named in the report for 1847; also, to the Church Orphan House, instituted by the late Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel. The quota, \$250 for the Episcopal Office, has been paid.

Parish Schools.—This institution, suspended for many years, is now in operation at the School-house of St. Stephen's Chapel, which has

been kindly loaned until one nearer to St. Philip's Church, and otherwise more suitable, can be procured. The teacher, Mr. R. H. Mason, has our entire confidence, and our prayers, which we ask from all the

friends of Church Schools.

Chime of Bells, Musical Clock and Steeple.—For these very valuable additions to the Church, (and we might mention the enlargement of the Organ gallery, for one improvement naturally leads to another) we are mainly indebted to the judicious, and large liberality of Colin Campbell Esq., of Beaufort. The Chime of Bells and the Musical Clock, are the costly gift of that gentleman; and to render them available the conreggation promply directed that the Steeple should be provided. The plan, under the direction of the Vestry, was obtained from E. B. White, Esq., and the work executed by Mr. Brown. The whole happily combines the useful and the ornamental, and must be generally approved, while those more immediately benefited must especially be grateful to their, and the public's benefactor.

Christ Church, Greenville.

The Rev. Thomas Simmons Arthur, Rector,

Baptisms—4 white adults, 1 colored; 9 white children, 2 colored; total, 16. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 49 white, 9 colored; total, 58. Non-communicants, 50 white, 10 colored; total, 60. Children under 14, 65 white, 15 colored; total, 80. Families, 45 white, 6 colored; total 51. Children catechised, 20 white, 10 colored; total, 30, on 12 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 13 white, 2 colored; total, 15. Sunday Schools—No. of Teachers, 8 white; No. of Scholars, 45 white. Public Worship, Christ Church, 48 Sundays; other days, 6; Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, 1; in the country, 2; whole number of times, 57.

Remarks.—During the past year, the contributions have been, at the Communion, \$54.56; for Missions, \$20.60; Society for the advancement of Christianity, \$15. The Holy Communion has been administered 11 times. 9 white communicants have removed to other sections of the

country, and 12 have been added.

St. Peter's Church, Charleston.

The Rev. Wm. H. Barnwell, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 16 white children, 5 colored; total 22. Marriages, 3 white; 3 colored; total, 6. Burials, 8 white; 3 colored; total, 11. Communicants, 203 white; 44 colored; total 247, Noncommunicants, about 160 white, about 100 colored; total, about 260. Children under 14, about 208 white; about 80 colored; total, about 288. Families, 130 white; 32 colored; total, 162. Families belonging to other congregations, 16 white. Children catechised, on 5 days, about 40 white; about 60 colored; total, about 100. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white, 1 colored; total, 7. Sunday Schools----Teachers, 26 white; Scholars, 112 white; 100 colored; total, 212. Public Worship, at St. Peter's Church, 51 Sundays; other days 54; Lecture Room, 1 Sunday; other days 8; total, 180.

All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.

The Rev. C. T. Bland, Missionary.

Baptisms—1 colored child; Children catechised on 121 days, 181. Public Worship, on plantations, 45 Sundays; other days 4; total 49.

REMARKS—On two Sundays I assisted the Rector of St. John's Church, Savannah. Five Sundays I was prevented by sickness from having any services.

Church at Claremont.

The Rev. A. L. Converse, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 4 white children; total 5. Marriages, 3 white. Burials, 3 white, 1 colored; total 4. Communicants, 43 white; 70 colored; total, 113. Non-communicants, 48 white. Children under 14, 27 white. Families, 30. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white; 89 colored; total 90. Public Worship, 47 Sundays; other days, 3; total, 50.

Church of St. Thaddaus, Aiken.

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms---4 white adults; 7 white children, 4 colored; total, 15. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Communicants, 31 white; 6 colored; total, 37. Families, 17 white; 3 colored; total 20. Children catechised after Sunday School frequently. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white. Sunday Schools---Teachers and Scholars, about the same as last reported. Public Worship at St. Thaddæus' Church, Aiken, 61 Sundays; other days, 66; Joice's Branch, 7 other days; Graniteville, 1 Sunday; total 169.

Trinity Church, Society Hill.

The Rev. M. A. Curtis, Rector.

Baptisms---5 white children. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants, 21 white; 3 colored; total, 24. Non-communicants, 12 white; colored uncertain. Children under 14, 46 white. Families, 14. Children catechised 10; days not recorded. Public Worship, at Trinity Church, Society Hill, 45 Sundays; other days 31; whole number 76. Includes occasional services by Rev. Messrs. Elwell and McCollough.

Grace Church, Camden.

The Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Rector.

Baptisms---7 white children. Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 7. Communicants 41 white; 2 removed; 7 added. Families, 37. Sunday Schools---28 scholars.

Remarks---Monies collected. Missions for this State, \$61.85; for Foreign Missions, \$20.10; for Domestic Missions, \$33.25; for other purposes, \$60.

St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.

The Rev. William Dehon, Rector. The Rev. C. P. Gadsden, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms---48 colored adults; 7 white children; 25 colored children; total, 80. Marriages, 3 white; 2 colored; total, 5. Burials, 7 white; 1 colored; total, 8. Communicants, 71 white; 126 colored; total, 194. Non-communicants, 68 white. Children under 14, 84 white. Families, 50 white. Children catechised, 40 white; 70 colored; total, 110; on 30 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 11 white; 63 colored; total, 74. Sunday Schools---Teachers, 8 white; 40 white. Public Worship, at St. Stephen's, 33 Sundays; 53 other days; total, 101. Church of Epiphany, 19 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 21. Trinity, 18 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 20. Pinopilis, 15 Sundays; whole number 25. Also. Services held on plantations, 30 Sundays, and on 42 other days; total, 129.

Remarks.--The Holy Communion has been administered in public 25 times; in private 3 times. The Communion alms, during the past year, have amounted to \$215. There has also been contributed for Missions, the sum of \$468. Two additional Chapels have been completed upon plantations, for the accommodation of the negroes, who manifest considerable interest in our service.

St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs. The Rev. Charles P. Elliott, Rector.

Baptisms---3 white children; 40 colored children; 8 colored adults; total, 51. Burials, 1. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Con-

firmed by the Bishop, 1 white; 16 colored; total, 17.

Remarks.—In the year 1849 I officiated every Sunday excepting two when causes of necessity interposed to prevent me from holding divine service. I officiated also 13 week-days, including Ash-Wednesday, and Christmas day. I held divine service at St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs, 27 Sundays. At the Church of Col. J. J. Moore, 11. a plantation near Manchester, to a colored congregation, 8 of those Sundays that I attended at the Church of Col. Moore, and one of them I did not. Total, 9. At the Hebron Church, 8. At Charleston, 1. At Stateburg, 1. In the neighbourhood of Stateburg, to a colored congregation, 1. Total, 50 Sundays. The whole number of times that I officiated this year, 107. The whole number of miles that I travelled in 1849 to fulfil my ministerial engagements, is 1681. The congregation of St. Philip's Church consists of 16 families, and 35 communicants. The congregation of the Hebron Church consists of 7 families, and 6 communicants. The colored congregation of the Church of Col. Moore, consists of 150 or 200 worshippers, and 25 communicants. The congregation of colored persons who worship near Manchester, of about 150 persons. At the Hebron Church, I rendered regular monthly services to the 1st of June; but being compelled from and after that time to increase my ministerial services at the Bradford Springs, I was constrained to discontinue my regular monthly services. And from the 1st of June to the end of the year, I officiated to the Hebron congregation only in those

months that had five Sundays, and on the fifth Sunday. And throughout the year I held a week-day service on the Saturdays preceeding my appointments at that place. And as I fear, that the increased duties of my Parish may oblige me soon to drop my appointments altogether at this station; and as there is rational well-founded hope that sound missionary labors persevered in, through the blessing of God, would ultimately result in the permanent establishment of a large Episcopal congregation, consisting wholly of persons either of very limited means, or very poor, without property: And it is manifestly a duty of our Church to direct its missionary operations with a view to the formation of congregations of this character. And our ministry, if withdrawn at this time, may prevent us from ever extending the Episcopal Church to that part of Clarendon, or at least would throw aditional obstacles in the way of ultimately effecting our object; I would therefore call the attention of the Diocesan Missionary Society particularly to this region of country.

In relation to the other congregations under my spiritual charge, they continue as stated in my last report. And the division of my clerical labors and duties the same, having 2 white and 2 colored, 4 congrega-

tions in all, under my care, to whom I regularly minister.

My salary for the year, including the appropriations made by the Diocesan Missionary Society, for St. Philip's Church, Bradford Spring's, is \$325. The above is a correct statement of "all such matters as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church under my charge." All which is humbly submitted, with sincere thanks to Almighty God, thro' Christ, for having granted to me, the joyful privilege of an uninterrupted exercise of the Gospel Ministry throughout the year 1849.

Prince William's Parish.

The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms---13 colored adults; 2 colored children; total 15. Marriages, 3 colored. Burials, 4 colored. Communicants, 108. Children catechised, constantly on Sundays. Sunday Schools---2 colored Teach-

ers; 50 to 100 colored Scholars.

Remarks...-Service has been held, with very few interruptions, throughout the year; twice a-day, during the winter, at two different stations; and once a fortnight, during the summer, at Christ Church. Another missionary station has been established this year. The attendonce is encouraging; the members being generally as regular as those of a white congregation. The Lord does not leave us without some tokens for good. The number of communicants is steadily increasing, while few have been separated from the congregation. May the Lord prosper his work among these poor of this world, and bless them with the riches of his grace.

Darlington District.

The Rev. Henry Elwell, Missionary.

Reports, that during the past year, 1849, the services of the Church have been held 25 times at Mar's Bluff, and 26 times at Darlington C. H.; each of which stations he visited once a fortnight, with occasional

interruptions. At Mar's Bluff he has baptized 1 male adult, and 1 female infant; and the Lord's Supper has been administered 8 times, the utmost number of communicants on any occasion being 8 persons, of whom two were colored. In addition to his regular duties, at the two stations above mentioned, he has officiated on one occasion at Springville Academy; assisted the Rector of Trinity Church, Society-Hill, on 6 occasions of public worship, and baptized, at his request, his infant daughter. In the performance of these duties of his mission, he has travelled upwards of 1500 miles, during the past year.

Christ Church Parish.

The Rev. John R. Fell, Rector.

Baptisms.—1 colored adult; 2 white children; 3 colored do.; total, 6. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 3 white; 2 colored; total, 5; Communicants, 31; Non-communicants, 16. Children under 14, 30. Families, 16. Families belonging to other congregations, 1. Children catechised, sundry days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white; 3 eolored; total, 4. Sunday Schools.—3 white Teachers; 20 white Scholars. Public Worship. at Parish Church, 29 Sundays, 4 other days; Chapel, 37 Sundays, 23 other days; Plantation, 14 Sundays; whole number of times, 107. Missions, \$38.22.

St. Paul's Church, Stono; and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white children; 1 colored; total, 5. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 5 white; 1 colored; total, 6. Communicants, 22. Non-Communicants, 28. Children under 14, 38. Families, 20. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 5. Children catechised 14 Sundays, 22. Public Worship, St. Paul's, 46 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 48.

Remarks.—For several Sundays of the year, the Rector was absent from his Parish, and officiating in other Parishes, as a Missionary, or performing duty for one of the brethren in the Ministry. During some of these Sundays, his place was supplied by a brother Clergyman.

St. James's Church Goose Creek.

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Visiter.

During the year 1849, I have officiated 10 Sundays in this Parish, and administered the Communion once. There were 4 participants on the occasion. The Church continues to be attended by the neighbors with the same degree of interest as formerly.

All-Saints', Waccamaw.

The Rev. Alexander Glennie, Rector.

Baptisms—14 colored adults. Children, 3 white; 73 colored; total, 90. Marriages, 5 colored. Burials, 5 white; 4 colored; total, 9. Communicants, 44 white; 158 colored; total, 202. Non-communicants, 40. Children under 14, 42 white. Families, 23 white. Families belonging to other Congregations, 8. Children catechised on 13 Sundays, 21

white; on 120 days, 301 colored; total, 322. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white; 27 colored; total, 30. Public Worship, Parish Church, 23 Sundays; 8 other days; total, 31. Southern Parish Church, 21 Sundays; 4 other days; total, 25. Summer Retreat, 7 Sundays. On plantations, 167; total, 230.

Remarks.—The numbers under "colored children catechised," are the sums total for several plantations; no class has been catechized more than 14 times. The contributions for Missions and the Communion Alms, amounted to \$421 18\frac{3}{4}\$. The Lord's Supper was administered in the Churches 15 times, and on plantations 5 times; total, 20.

Parish of St. David's, Cheraw. The Rev. Alexander Gregg, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 6 white children; 8 colored; total, 16 Marriages, 6 white; 2 colored, total, 8. Burials, 5 white; 1 colored; total, 6. Communicants, 23 white; 4 colored, total, 27. Non-communicants, 53 white; colored, uncertain. Children under 14, 54. Families, 27. Children catechized every Sunday, more or less; other days, 7 times. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white; number of scholars, 35 white; colored from 20 to 30. Public Worship, St. David's, 49 Sundays; 6 other days. On plantations, and at other places, 22; whole number of times, 105. Contributions, for Sunday School, \$4.00. Communion Alms, \$26.25. Domestic Missions, \$101. Foreign Missions, \$58.

Parish of St. John's, John's Island. The Rev. Charles H. Hall, Rector.

Baptisms—46 colored adults; 9 white children; 52 colored; total, 107. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 2 white. Communicants 55 white; 445 colored; total, 500. Non-communicants, 60 white; about 400 colored; total, 460. Children under 14, 70 white; colored unknown. Families, 50 white; colored unknown. Families belonging to other Congregations, 4. Children catechised in summer, 5 days. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 25 white. Public Worship, St. John's, John's Island, 37 Sundays; 2 other days. "Church at the Rocks," Wadmalaw, 12 Sundays; 36 other days. Other places, 5 other days; whole number of times, 101.

Remarks.—Two Candidates for Orders, Mr. Augustus Moore and Mr. P. T. Gervais Jenkins, acted as Catechists on several plantations during a large part of the year. There has been given in alms during the year, \$189. The attendance on divine service has been general and

commendable.

Parish of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeborough.

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., Rector. The Rev. J. S. Hanckel Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—22 white children; 15 colored; total, 37. Marriages, 3 white; 4 colored; total, 7. Burials, 20 white; 2 colored; total, 22. Communicants, 251 white; 64 colored; total, 315. Non-communicants,

326 white; 98 colored; total, 424. Children under 14, 292 white; 125 colored; total, 417. Families, 198 white; 45 colored; total, 243. Families belonging also to other Congregations, not ascertained. Children catechised 16 days, about 60 white; about 30 colored; total 90. Confirmed by the Bishop, 12 white; 10 colored; total, 22. Sunday School Teachers, 14 white; 8 colored; total, 22. Number of Scholars, 81 white; 46 colored; total, 127. Public Worship, St. Paul's, twice every Sunday, and on Wednesdays, Festivals and Fasts.

Parish of St. Andrew's.

The Rev. J. Stuart Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult. Communicants, 23 white; 42 colored; total, 65. Non-communicants, 17 white. Children under 14, 33 white. Families, 15. Families belonging also to other Congregations, all.

REMARKS.—The Rector resumed his connection with this Parish in November last, since when, divine service has been performed every Lord's day, and also on Christmas day, in the Parish Church. The services for colored people, in the two Chapels erected for their accommodation, have also been resumed. A third Chapel of this class is in course of erection, and will soon be fit for use. When this Chapel is completed, most of the negroes in the Parish will be within a mile, and the most remote not more than two or three miles from a place of public worship and instruction. This Parish has suffered severely by removals since the last Parochial Report; eight families, and as many Communicants have removed to other Parishes in the State.

The P. E. Church, Edisto, and St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville.

The Rev. W. H. Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—4 colored adults; 7 white children; total, 11. Marriages.

Baptisms—4 colored adults; 7 white children; total, 11. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, 41 white. Non-communicants, 54 white; colored unknown. Children under 14, 61 white. Families, 27 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 7 white. Sunday School Teachers, 10 white.—Number of Scholars, 20 white; about 100 colored; total, 120. Public Worship, Protestant Episcopal Church on Edisto Island, 30 Sundays; 2 other days; total 32. St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville, 20 Sundays; 19 other days; total, 39; whole number of times, 71.

Remarks.—I have also held service and preached for the negroes 47 times at the Church, and on different plantations. This congregation has contributed during the past year to Missions, (chiefly Southern,)

\$468 50.

Prince George, Winyaw.

The Rev. R. T. Howard, Rector. .

Baptisms—5 white children. Marriages, 3 white; 3 colored; total, 6. Burials, 5 white; 2 colored; total, 7. Communicants, 50 white; 12 colored; total, 62. Non-communicants, 54 white. Children under 14, 62 white. Families, 42 white. Children catechised in Sunday School.

Confirmed by the Bishop, 4 white. Sunday School Teachers, 2 white. Number of Scholars, 5 white; 12 colored; total, 17. Public Worship, every Sunday and the principal Fasts and Festivals.

REMARKS.—We are daily expecting a new Organ from the North, which was liberally subscribed for by the members of the congregation.

Cost, \$1500.

Parish of St. John's, Berkley. The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, Minister.

Baptisms—38 colored adults; 7 white children; 62 colored; total, 107. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 4 white; 3 colored; total, 7. Communicants, 40 white; 220 colored, total, 260. Families, 41 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 17 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 13 white. Public Worship, Biggin, 12 Sundays. Strawberry, 12 Sundays, 2 other days; total 26. Whiteville, 12 Sundays, 52 other days; total, 76. Cordesville, 12 Sundays, 1 other day; total, 25. Other places, 13; total, 66. Whole number of times, 205.

Remarks.—In addition to the services performed by the officiating Minister, the village Chapels of Cordesville and Whiteville, were kept open on every alternate Sunday, by lay-reading, during the summer months. The Holy Communion was administered during my diaconate, once at Biggin, by the Rector of St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's and once also, at Strawberry, by the Rector of St. Thomas's and St. Dennis's. Since taking Priests' Orders, I have administered it 17 times.

Advent collection for Domestic Missions, \$75.

Prince Frederick's Parish.

The Rev. Joseph Hunter, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult; 5 white children; 43 colored; total, 49. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 15 white; 3 colored; total, 18. Noncommunicants, 23 white. Children under 14, 38 white; colored unknown. Families, 16 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 9 white. Children catechized 10 days, 8 white; 50 days, 100 colored, total, 108. Public Worship, Prince Frederick's, 29 Sundays, 26 other days; total, 55. Plantersville Chapel, 20 Sundays, 13 other days; total, 33. Services on plantations, 72 times; whole number of times, 160.

Remarks.—The Lord's Supper was administered 9 times. The collections at the Lord's Supper, and for Missionary purposes, amounted to \$205; of which \$149 were given to Domestic Missions, \$25 for Diocesan, \$25 for the Jews, \$5 in charity, and \$1 to the Church in Laurens

District, S. C.

Parish of St. James's, Santee.

The Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—6 colored adults; 34 colored children; total, 40. Communicants, 19 white; 91 colored; total, 110. Non-communicants, 43 white.

Children under 14, 34 white. Families, 24 white. Children catechized weekly, about 250 colored. Public Worship, Wambaw Church, 25 Sundays, 2 other days; total, 27. Hampton Chapel, service for negroes, 20 Sundays.

Ascension Church, Gillisonville.

The Rev. B. Johnson, late Rector.

Marriages, 1 colored. Communicants, 5. Communion administered 4 times; Alms, \$15. Divine Service, 25 times. Services have been held on Sunday afternoons, and occasionally during the week, for the

REMARKS.—This report covers the period from January 1st, to May 1849. The emigration to Georgia and elsewhere, of the chief families of the Congregation, induced the Rector to enter upon some other field of labor. He accordingly resigned his charge in May, and accepted that of Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.

The Rev. B. Johnson, Rector.

Baptisms—9 children. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 2. Communicants, 80 white; 8 colored; total, 88. Confirmed by the Bishop, 4. Sunday School Teachers, 3 white. Number of Scholars, 18 white. Public Worship, Grace Church, 55 times.

REMARKS.—Communion administered 5 times; Alms, \$51. Collection for repairs of Church, about 35 or \$40. Since the close of the summer season, the Record has preached in Charleston and several of the

country parishes, in all 17 times.

St. Michael's Parish, Charleston.

The Rev. Paul Trapier Keith, Rector. The Rev. Thomas J. Young, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—20 white children; 4 colored; total, 24. Marriages, 4 white; 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 14 white; 2 colored; total, 16. Communicants, 299 white; 36 colored; total, 335. Non-communicants, 184 white; colored, uncertain. Children under 14, 174 white; colored, uncertain. Families, 171 white; colored, uncertain. Children catechized 12 days, about 100 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white. Sunday School Teachers, 16 white. Number of Scholars, 79 white. Public Worship, St. Michael's Church, 52 Sundays, 120 other days; whole number of times, 229.

REMARKS.—During the past year, the contributions have been: Alms at the Communion, \$736.48; for Missions—Church Offerings, \$520.57; Sunday School contribution, \$58; Advent collection, \$100.76; Ladies' Sewing Society for Missions in the City, \$148; Repairs St. Stephen's Chapel, \$10; St. Stephen's School, \$55; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$56 76 cts.; St. Michael's, Sisters of Charity, \$92.75; Education of a youth, \$60; Support of two Orphans, \$104; Special contribution, \$50.

Report of the Rev. M. H. Lance.

Since my last report, I have officiated at the following places, as occasion required, viz:—Georgetown, Sullivan's Island, St. Andrew's Chapel, Christ Church Parish, Aiken, and Barnwell C. H. While in the neighborhood of the latter place, a part of the last summer, it was my purpose, at the instance of the Bishop, to have cheerfully rendered regular service to the good people of that highly respectable village, but under advisement of a prominent member of the Vestry, whose kind hospitality I experienced, I waited the abatement of a prevailing epidemic.

Prince William's Parish.

The Rev. Charles E. Leverett, Rector. The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—6 white children. Burials, 6 white. Communicants, 40 white; 6 colored; total, 46. Non-communicants, 37 white. Children under 14, 84 white. Families, 25 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 11 white. Children catechized nearly every Sunday in the summer. Sunday School Teachers, 7 white. Number of Scholars, 37 white. Public Worship, Sheldon Church, 25 Sundays. Sheldon Chapel, 22 Sundays, 18 other days; whole number of times, 103.

Remarks.—Our annual report can embrace but few topics of inter-The limited sphere of movement in a country parish, generally affords little variation from statements again and again made. The apathy prevalent everywhere, on the part of almost all, in relation to subjects, that affecting us as Christians, are of absorbing importance, furnishes another cause for the poverty of our report. The Rector is, however, gratified to state, that his church seems to be, though slowly, improving. Considering all circumstances, perhaps few country congregations could be represented more flourishing. It would be very large, if many Episcopal families holding property, and resident some six months each year, in the Parish, did not exonerate themselves from the obvious claim of attending the ministrations of religion, one half of every year. The plea by some urged, for the abandonment of so plain a duty, is the distance from the Sanctuary; yet it is allowed, few are more remote than the Rector; or less able than himself to respond to the obligation. The Rector regrets that any here, or elsewhere, do not admit themselves to be sacredly pledged to maintain, in every way, the institutions of the Church of Christ. He would, if this meet the eye of such, urge them to consider seriously, if their course be not Sabbath desecration; and tending to the most injurious results, for time and eternity both. Our Sabbath services had better cost us something, than there be an exhibition on our part of an unconcern, gladly caught at by the opponent of religion; or that we establish an example, to be certainly visited, if in no other earthly way, as sins of the fathers, upon the children, to the third and fourth generation

The Rector feels called to notice a work of distinguished Christian benevolence, on the part of his esteemed young parishioner, James Cuthbert, Esq. This is the establishment of Schools, for the religious and common education of the poor children of the Parish: a large and

hitherto neglected class. Almost unaided, he has supported, and through a competent teacher educated some fifteen boys, the past two years; and if the sympathies of others were enlisted, would enlarge a work, truly noble and unusual. As we hope to give a full detail of this goodly scheme, when further advanced, we leave it for the present, trusting that an effort, entitled if carried out, to rank its originator with the philanthropists of the world, will not be left to languish for want of adequate support. When it is known that there are ignorance and vice in our very midst, that rank a large population in the same class with the heathen, it is believed some true hearts will yet be found to cheer on this Christian movement. Mr. C. is admirably adapted to this work—having the entire confidence and respect of the class he aims to improve. If generously sustained and encouraged, as he ought to be, it is thought, he will prove instrumental in ultimately evangelizing a neglected and miserable portion of our land.

Contributions—Missionary on plantations, \$325: Missions elsewhere, \$155; Communion collections, about \$50; other purposes, \$125.—

Total, \$655.

Report of the Rev. E. C. Logan, Missionary on North Santee.

Since my admission to Deacon's Orders, on the 24th September 1848, I have been officiating for the most part on North Santee, as Missionary to the blacks; preaching occasionally to a white congregation at the "North Santee Church," and statedly in summer on South Island. When not otherwise engaged, I have also assisted the Rector, the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, with the service at the "Church of the Messiah." My other services have been performed by request, in the city and its vicinity. I usually hold two services a day on Sundays, for the negroes, and occasionally one in the week. In winter, I catechized the children, on plantations, weekly. In all, since my first ordination, I have baptized 2 white, and 32 colored children; and also 1 adult. Solemnized 1 marriage, white. Officiated at 3 funerals, 1 white and 2 colored; and performed public worship in whole or in part, 145 times.

Spartanburgh District.

The Rev. John D. McCollough, Missionary.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 4 white children; 1 colored child; total, 6. Also, "received into the congregation of Christ's flock, and certified the congregation" of the baptism of 3 children by others of the Clergy, privately. Burials, 1; also, officiated informally at the burial of a stranger. Communicants, 18 white; 2 colored; total, 20. Non-communicants, 12 white. Children under 14, 15 white; 4 colored; total 19. Families, 12 white; 1 colored; total, 13. Families belonging to other congregations, 1; containing 2 communicants. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white; 1 colored; total, 6. Public Worship, at the Church of the Advent, Spartanburgh C. H. 13 Sundays; 2 other days; whole number of times, 25; at Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, 18 Sundays; 3 other days; whole number of times, 34. Without the Mission, 17 Sundays; 4 other days; whole number of times, 25. Total number of times, 84.

REMARKS.—I have officiated alternately, as before, between Glenn Springs and Spartanburgh C. H., visiting Laurensville occasionally.—The Holy Communion has been administered 4 times. The Church at Glenn Springs will be ready for consecration the ensuing summer. At the Court-house, the building has been unavoidably delayed; but the prospect of its future progress is encouraging.

St. Helena Island.

The Rev. David McElheran, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white children. Burials, 3. Communicants, 26 white; 10 colored; total, 36. Non-communicants, 32. Children under 14, 24. Families, 21. Children catechized during summer. Sunday Schools—2 white Teachers; 14 white Scholars; 30 to 50 colored do. Public Worship, at Central Church, 51 Sundays; 4 other days; total, 55; at St. Helenaville Chapel, 21 Sundays; whole number of times, 76.

Remarks.—During the past year we have lost 1 Communicant by death, and 1 by removal. We have not been able to do much in the way of support of Missions this year; but a considerable sum has been subscribed for the purpose of erecting a new chancel, pulpit, desks and vestry-room, in our ancient Central Church, which is now nearly completed. And the Ladies' Working Society have contributed \$20, towards the erection of a new church at St. Helenaville, which we trust will be seconded in such a manner as to accomplish this really necessary work without delay. We are happy to mark a growing attachment to our Church, its doctrine and discipline in this Parish.

St. John's Chapel, Hampstead, Charleston Neck. The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Minister.

Baptisms---6 colored adults; 12 white children; 24 colored children; total, 36. Marriages, 3 white; 9 colored; total, 12. Burials, 34 white; 8 colored; total, 42. Communicants, 41 white; 28 colored; total, 69. Non-communicants, uncertain. Children catechized on 12 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Sunday Schools---6 white Teachers; Scholars uncertain. Public Worship, at St. John's

Chapel, 52 Sundays; 66 other days; total, 174.

REMARKS.—The Bishop confirmed the persons mentioned in their sick room, as they were ill. Divine service has been held at the Chapel twice on every Sunday, on Good Friday and on Christmas day; once on every Saturday; on the Circumcision, Epiphany; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Passion Week; Easter Monday and Tuesday; Monday and Tuesday of Whitsun Week; and on Thanksgiving day. The Lord's Supper has been administered on the 3d Sunday of every month, and on the usual festivals. The children of the congregation have been catechized on the 2d Sunday of every month. The Sunday School for white and colored children, has been held on every Lord's day morning; and that for colored adults and children in the evening. I have held divine service, and preached at the Poor-house, once every week; have also given catechetical instruction to some adults of the same institution, once every week, with a few exceptions. Two white communicants have removed to the country.

St. James's, James Island.

The Rev. Stiles Mellichamp, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—3 white children; 1 colored do.; total, 4. Marriages, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Burials, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Communicants, 15 white; colored 13; total, 28. Non-communicants, 15 white; colored, 20; total, 35. Children under 14, 22 white. Families, 10 white. Families belonging to other congregations, 1. Children catechized 20 days. Sunday Schools—3 white Teachers; 14 white Scholars; 20 colored do.; total, 34. Public Worship, at St. James' Church, 48 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 49.

REMARKS.—By the removal of two families from the Island, our congregation is much thinner than heretofore. One of these families is not reported as leaving, the removal not having taken place until the com-

mencement of this year.

Report of the Rev. J. W. Miles.

Since the last meeting of the Convention, I have been constantly preaching, with the exception of a very few Sundays.

St. John's Church, Winnsboro'.

The Rev. J. Obear, late Rector.

Baptisms—8 white children; 1 colored, total, 9. Communicants, 22 white; 2 colored; total, 24. Non-communicants, 31 white; 2 colored, total, 33. Children under 14, 32 white, 4 colored; total, 36. Families, 11 white; 1 colored; total, 12. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 2 white. Divine service was held every Sunday, to the middle of February, and also once in March; total, 7 Sundays. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered twice—Alms, \$3.

Remarks.—Having officiated for this Church from its commencement, it was with deep and most sincere regret, that I found it necessary on the 1st of January last, to resign the charge of it, to take effect on the 1st of February last; although my services were continued to the middle of that month. The salary paid, was never equal to the necessary expenses of my family, and as I felt it to be my duty, on account of impaired health, to reliaquish the school from which I drew a part of my support, it became necessary also, to resign the charge of the Church, as the congregation did not feel able to increase the salary.

My services commenced at Winnsboro', on Whitsunday 1841. The Church was consecrated, September 28, 1842. The congregation was organized the November following, and the Church received into union with the Convention in February 1843. The congregation is small, having lost by removals and death nearly as many as are now connected with it. It numbers however, in the winter, usually from 30 to 50. and in the summer from 50 to 100; and is especially interesting on account

of the large number of children connected with it.

[Rev. Mr. Obear also reports, from where he now officiates, at *Grace Church*, *Randolph*, *Vermont*:—Baptisms, 7 adults; 11 children; total,

18. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper has been administered 10 times. Public Worship, Grace Church, 41 Sundays, 6 other days—whole number of times, 94. The above report is from Easter Sunday.]

Parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.

The Rev. Edward Phillips, Rector.

Baptisms.---1 colored adult; 38 colored children; total, 39. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, 16 white; 70 colored; total, 86. Children under 14, 49. Families, 20 white. Families belonging to other congregations, 3. Public Worship, at St. Thomas's 12 Sundays; 2 other days; total, 14; The Chapel, 13 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 14; for colored persons at Louisville, 10 Sundays; on plantations, 10 other days; whole number of times, 68.

Remarks.---This report is for 6 months of the past year. Within a year this Parish has suffered the loss, by removal, of 5 families; of which 10 persons were communicants. With that exception there is no mark-

ed change from the state of things, as noticed in the last report.

Report of the Rev. Edward Phillips, for the Summer of 1849.

I accepted an invitation from the Vestry and Wardens of the Church of the Holy Communion, with the approbation of the Bishop, to serve this Church gratuitously, as its Minister, for the summer months. My services were principally limited to the offices of public worship, held at the U.S. Arsenal, Cannonsborough; a severe and afflicting dispensation of Providence having prevented me from visiting and doing the other duties of an Evangelist, as much as the nature of the missionary enterprise seemed to require. But I was enabled to officiate and preach on each Lord's day, morning and afternoon, with the exception of about 6 weeks, when necessarily compelled to be absent from the city. The congregations on those occasions, varied from about 40 or 50, to more than 100 persons. A Sunday School, for about 30 colored children, was held after divine service in the afternoon, under the control of a pious layman, and several zealous ladies.

With the divine blessing upon the labors of an efficient ministery, I have no doubt that in this wide and rapidly increasing field of missionary adventure, a large congregation can be gathered into the fold of the

Church.

Church of the Messiah, North Santee.

The Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Rector. The Rev. E. C. Logan, Missionary.

Baptisms—1 white child; 19 colored; total, 20. Burials, 1 white; 5 colored; total, 6. Communicants, 17 white; 55 colored; total, 72. Noncommunicants, 25 white. Children under 14, 24 white. Families, 17. white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 9 white. Children catechized, 13 white; 50 colored; total, 63. Public Worship, Church of the Messiah, 22 Sundays, 2 other days; total, 37. Other places, 25 Sundays, 2 other days; total, 41; whole number of times, 78.

Remarks.—This report does not include the services of Rev. E. C. Logan, who is employed as a Missionary among the black population of the Parish. The afternoon of every Sunday is devoted to their instruction, either at the Church, or on some plantation. We now have eight plantations, and upwards of 1000 slaves under our care. Many of them are quite familiar with our service, having been well instructed therein by my predecessor. A collection for Foreign and Domestic Missions, was taken, amounting to \$30.50.

Report the Rev. G. L. Platt.

During the past year, I have been chiefly occupied in discharging the duties of Principal of All-Saints' Academy, Waccamaw. During the summer, by request of the Rector of the Parish, divine service was conducted usually every third Sunday in the hall of the Academy, Pauley's Island; on which occasions, I officiated often to full congregations for a thinly populated neighborhood. I have also occasionally assisted in the services on two or three plantations, and more frequently on Communion and other Sundays, in the regular services in the Parish Churches.

Report of the Rev. W. T. Potter.

The approaching Convention reminds me, in obedience to Canon, to give some account of myself, since the last report. My labors have been fewer, than almost any year of my ministerial life. While in the Parish of Prince William, I have always assisted my brother at the Communion; on other Lord's days occasionally reading prayers and preaching. During the summer, while in Beaufort, there was less need of assistance, the Rector having two brothers associated with him, but in several instances, I preached, read prayers, and assisted at the Communion. I have married 4 colored couples; buried 1 white adult, not of our Church, whom I visited repeatedly during her last illness; 1 white infant, and 2 blacks. I have held religious service occasionally for my own and Col. Hamilton's servants. Visited in two instances the Mission of Brother Graham, assisting him in his services, and on the last Lord's day witnessed and assisted in the interesting service of adult Baptism, administered by him, to 4 servants of A. H. Seabrook. I am ready and anxious to occupy the humblest place of labor, in the Lord's vineyard, whenever by his Providence he points out the way, and condescends to use me in his service.

St. Bartholomew's Parish.

The Rev. W. O. Prentiss, Rector.

Baptisms—11 colored adults; 3 white children; 95 colored; total, 109. Marriages, 5 white; 4 colored; total, 9. Burials, 2 white; 4 colored; total, 6. Communicants, 63 white; 37 colored; total, 100. Noncommunicants, 46 white; colored unknown. Children under 14, 65 white; colored unknown. Families, 42 white; colored unknown. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white; 2 colored; total, 5. Sunday School Teachers, 8 white; 6 colored; total, 14. Number of Scholars, 34 white; 74 colored; total, 108. Public Worship, Walterboro' Chapel, 27 Sunday School

days, 15 other days; total, 78. St. Edmondsbury Chapel, 18 Sundays,

2 other days; total, 20; whole number of times, 98.

REMARKS.—The present report, when compared with that of the previous year, evidences an increasing interest in the religious instruction of our colored population. A number of services not reported, have been held by the Rector for their special benefit. They have also been favored with the instructions of an intelligent and zealous communicant of the Church, who has devoted his Sabbaths to them. The Missionary contributions of the Parish amount to \$201.56\frac{1}{4}. The Communion alms to \$85.65. Efforts are being made for the erection of two new Churches in the Parish, and the subscriptions justify the expectation that both edifices will shortly be commenced.

Zion Church, Richland. The Rev. J. M. Pringle, Rector.

Baptisms—3 colored adults; 24 colored children; total, 27. Marriages, 3 colored. Burials, 2 white; 2 colored; total, 4. Communicants, 14 white; 87 colored; total, 101. Families, 12 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 8. Sunday School Teachers, 6 white. Number of Scholars in the Saturday and Sunday Schools for white children, 76. Number of colored children under 14, taught by the Minister, 111. Public Worship, Zion Church, 44 Sundays, 2 other days. On Sunday afternoons. divine service has been held at one or other of the following places: "The Lower Church," or "Zion Chapel," situated in an opposite part of the neighborhood; or on a plantation belonging to one of the Vestrymen of the Church. During the year, religious services have been performed on Saturdays, and also on every other Friday, in private houses among the whites; and on Mondays and Tuesdays of every week on several plantations. On these occasions, the negro children and also the elder people were catechized.

REMARKS.—The Bishop visited the Church on the 6th day of June, and confirmed one white person. The Sunday services for the past year have been less than the usual number, in consequence of an attack of illness by which the Rector of this Church was confined to the house

for nearly two months.

Trinity Church, Edgefield. The Rev. Edward Reed, Rector.

Baptisms—6 white children. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 13 white; 1 colored; total, 14. Non-communicants, 15 white Children under 14, 28 white. Families, 12 white. Children catechized every Sunday, 5 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Sunday School Teachers, 2 white. Number of Scholars, 8 white; 10 colored; total, 18. Public Worship, Trinity Church, 29 Sundays, 2 other days. Plantation, 3; whole number of times, 57.

Remarks.—Of the Communicants, five are members of other Christian denominations, but regularly attending the services, and contributing to the support of the Minister. The Rector took charge of the Church on the 1st March 1849. The months of July, August and September, in

accordance with an agreement with the Vestry on taking charge of the Church, were spent in the mountains, on account of feeble health. During these months, the Rector officiated at some place in this Diocese, or the Diocese of North-Carolina, every Sunday except two.

Report of the Rev. R. S. Seely.

Since I made my last report, I find recorded in my Journal the following services rendered the Church. I have read service in St. John's Church, Stamford, Conn., 3 times. Assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper, in the same Church, 8 times; and read in the same place the funeral service over 1 adult. I have held divine service and preached in Christ Church, Greenwich, Conn., 3 times. I have read service and preached in St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, Conn., twice. I have read service and preached in St. Mark's Church, New Canaan, Conn., twice. And since my return from the North, I have read service and preached once in St. John's Church, Winnsboro', and baptized one infant.

Trinity Church, Columbiu. The Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rector.

Baptisms—29 white children; 2 colored; total, 31. Marriages, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Burials, 17 white; 1 colored; total, 18. Communicants, 97 white; colored 6; total, 103. Non-communicants, 96 white; 6 colored; total, 102. Children under 14, 103 white; 3 colored; total, 106. Families, 70 white; 6 colored; total, 76. Children catechized monthly, from 15 to 30. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Number of Scholars, 30 white. Public Worship, Trinity Church, every Sunday, every Wednesday, every Fast and Festival day, and two Thanksgiving days, one by Civil authority, and one by Church appointment on first Thursday in November.

REMARKS.—Besides the marriages above enumerated, I solemnized 1 at Claremont. Of the Communicants reported last year, 4 have died, and 8 have removed from the Parish. Of those included in this report, 6 are new, and 5 from other Parishes, have become residents in this.

Besides special collections for particular Churches, and for local objects, there have been received \$313 for Missionary purposes, of which, \$110 have been placed in the Bishop's hands for Missions within the Diocese, and the remainder has been appropriated to the Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Church.

Report of the Rev. R. S. Shindler, Missionary at Orangeburg.

Divine service was held on 36 Sundays, and on one other day; whole number of times, 46. The Missionary performed the burial service twice. The Missionary went to Orangeburg, mainly to teach a School. He accepted the offer of a Mission to this place, and at one time there was a good prospect of establishing a Church. This produced opposition, and efforts were made to break down his school—his principal support. These efforts having succeeded, no alternative was left him, but that of leaving the place. He has performed such services as he could, up to the end of the year, whenever requested to do so.

Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonsborough.

The Rev. J. Ward Simmons, Missionary.

At the Church of the Holy Communion, from January 7th to May 13, inclusive, 39 services were held—2 by Lay-readers, 10 by myself, and 27 by other Clergymen of the city and country. I also officiated there twice during the summer. May 20th, Rev. E. Phillips assumed the charge of said Church for the season. During the year, I officiated 4 times in the country, and on one of these occasions, administered the Holy Sacrament of Baptism to a white child. I have also buried 2 white adults, and 2 white children; total, 4. My other services are embraced in the report of the Missionary at St. Stephen's Chapel.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.

The Rev. J. Howard Smith, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 9 colored; 9 white children; total, 21. Marriages, 5 white; 6 colored; total, 11. Burials, 7 white; 3 colored; total, 10. Communicants, 41 white; 36 colored; total, 77. Non-communicants, 24 white; colored not known. Children under 14, 55 white; colored not known. Children catechized not regularly. Confirmed by the Bishop. 2 white, at Bluffton. Sunday School Teachers, 7 white.—Number of Scholars, 15 white; colored not known. Public Worship, Church of the Holy Trinity, 65 Sundays, weekly during the summer; total, 95. Free Church to Negroes, 50 Sundays; whole number of times, 145.

REMARKS.—This report embraces the period between August 1st 1848, (at which time the present Rector took charge of this Church,) and December 31st 1849.

Grace Church, Charleston.

The Rev. W. W. Spear, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult; 18 white children; 5 colored; total, 24. Marriages, 4 white; 2 colored; total, 6. Burials, 10 white; 4 colored, total, 14. Communicants, 110 white; 12 colored; total, 122. Noncommunicants, 120 white; 20 colored; total, 140. Children under 14, 175 white; 25 colored; total, 200. Families, not ascertained. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 5 white. Children catechized every Sunday, 50 white; 20 colored; total, 70. Confirmed by the Bishop, 13 white; 1 colored; total, 14. Sunday School Teachers, 8 white. Number of Scholars, 50 white; 20 colored; total, 70. Public Worship, Grace Church, 52 Sundays, 25 other days; whole number of times, 145.

Report of the Rev. B. F. Taylor.

"Rossville, Feb. 5th, 1850.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—I have received the following note from the Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York:

'Rev. & dear Sir,---I am directed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to inform you that they have had your request to be received as a Deacon of this Diocese under consideration, and that they do not

deem it proper to grant it, until you furnish some satisfactory explanation of your return to the Diocese within a few months of your transfer as a Candidate to South-Carolina, made at your request, with the understanding that the change was not to be temporary in its nature.

By order, Benj. I. Haight, Sec'ry.

Rev. B. F. Taylor.

My answer to this was as follows:

To the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese of New-York:

Gentlemen,---I cheerfully furnish the following extracts of letters from the venerable Bishop of South-Carolina to me, which I trust you will accept as a "satisfactory explanation" of my return to the Diocese of New-York:

"Sept. 8. I have just returned from a visit to the upper districts. I can find no vacant place for you that would afford a maintenance for your family."

Again, the Bishop writes:

"Sept. 13. It has occurred to me, that as there are no parishes, or missionary stations, vacant at present, to which I can invite your attention, it would be best for you to apply for a letter of dismission to the

Diocese in which you have, or intend to have your home."

Ever praying that our most gracions God would be pleased to direct and prosper all your consultations to the advancement of his glory and the good of his Church,---that he would be pleased to save you from all error, ignorance, pride and prejudice,---that he would direct, sanctify, and govern you in your unusually trying and responsible duties.

I remain, very respectfully, yours,

B. F. TAYLOR.

Feast of the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin.

Calvary Church, Charleston.

The Rev. Paul Trapier, Minister.

Baptisms---5 colored adults; 1 white child; 7 colored children; total, 13. Marriages, 9 colored. Burials, 3 white; 6 colored; total, 9. Communicants, 10 white; 10 colored; total, 20. Non-communicants, 5 white; colored not known. Children under 14, 10 white; colored not known. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white; 6 colored; total, 8. Sunday School Teachers, 18 white; all of whom are communicants, and most of them from our Parish churches in the city. We owe them many thanks for their regular and punctual attendance, and faithful and efficient teachings, and would ascribe to them, in no small degree, under God, the measure of success which has hitherto attended our efforts.

By a misprint in the Journal of last year, we are credited with "68 white" Sunday Scholars, instead of 8; most of these being the minister's

own children are now taught at home.

Of colored Scholars, 310 were entered on our register as having been at the Sunday School during the year. About 40 of them free, the others belonging to about 130 owners, from whom consent was obtained, wherever practicable. About 60 were adults, the rest of every age, from 16 to 6. The largest number present at any time was 149, generally about 120. They are taught orally in classes, and questioned simultaneously by the

minister on hymns, chants, and portions of the church catechism. Some of them have learned a good deal, and their behaviour generally is better than at first.

Public Worship was held in "Temperance Hall," on 29 Sundays, and 1 other day; (whole number of times 57;) until the middle of July, when our services were discontinued in compliance with the wishes of the proprietor of the "Hall," who deemed it prudent that so they should be in deference to the then existing public feeling. This, though threatening for awhile, has since not only subsided but been succeeded by a change, which now enlists in favour of our undertaking the recorded judgment of our fellow citizens at a public meeting after months of deliberate investigation, and places our church upon the elevation, whence we can pray that it may shine to the glory of God and the good of souls.

Our building was consecrated on the 23d of December, and has been in use by us ever since. It is 70 feet by 40 feet, with 59 pews, for about 300 colored, and 18 pews for about 90 white persons; the latter elevated, and separated by a cross isle. It is in the plainest style, but neat and appropriate. We are still in debt for it about \$600; besides what may be needed for a fence around the lot, and for venetian blinds, perhaps about \$350 more. Kind friends, chiefly female, have given us a set of Communion plate, costing \$135, and a Font, costing \$46; also for carpet and hanging for the chancel, desk and pulpit, \$120, and for "gas fitting" \$83; besides sundry contributions for other furniture of the church and vestry-room. For all which we would return them our grateful acknowledgments. Communion administered 9 times; alms, \$32. From the boxes at the door \$50.

At the time that our services were interrupted, the number in attendance upon them was increasing slowly, but seldom exceeded in the mornings 25 white and 40 colored, and in the afternoons 40 white, and

300 colored, including the Sunday School.

During our dispersion, the only means of communication of the minister with his people was through meetings of the communicants, held monthly, and of the candidates for baptism, confirmation and the Lord's supper, held once a week, for the men and for the women respectively, in the evening, at the minister's house. These meetings are kept up, as also one at the house of a white parishioner for instruction in singing, under sanction from the Mayor. On opening our own building we were gratified to find so ready a return of most of our congegation and of our Sunday scholars, and the interest since apparent has been cheering. But the minister has still to lament that he can come so little in contact, pastorally, with his people, owing to the peculiar nature of their employments in the week and on Sunday. He fain would urge upon owners the obligation of so arranging their domestic affairs as to afford to their servants more opportunities for attendance in the Lord's house and on the Lord's day. He can seldom see them during the week, unless they are sick, nor then, except in cases where he feels at liberty to go into the yards of their owners for that purpose. It gives him pleasure, however, to say that, wherever he has so presumed, his reception has been respectful and kind, encouraging him to ask the same liberty more generally.

Report of Rev. C. B. Walker.

Edgefield, Feb. 18, 1850.

Rt. Rev. & Dear Sir,—I now write to acquaint you with the single ministerial act which I have performed since the resignation of my parish, early in last February. I have administered private baptism to one in-

fant, in the absence of the Rector of this parish.

You were notified of the cause of my resignation of the charge of this parish last winter. Since then my health has considerably improved, though my physicians still forbid the attempt to preach, or read aloud for any length of time. Should the good providence of God allow me to resume my ministerial labors, I need not say how gladly I would undertake them. Should it not, I shall have great cause for thankfulness, if the present affliction produce the peaceable fruits of righteousness. I have had no recurrence of hæmorrhage since you were here in June last.

Christ Church, Wilton.

The Rev. E. T. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—6 colored adults; 1 white child; total, 7. Marriage, 1 white. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, 18 white; 80 colored; total, 98. Non-communicants, 10 white. Children under 14, 20 white; 120 colored; total, 140. Families, 15 white. Children catechized once every week. Public Worship, Christ Church, Wilton, 40 Sundays; Christ

Church Chapel, 15 Sundays. Whole number of times, 95.

Remarks.—The Mission among the negroes of this parish, hitherto under the care of the Methodist Missionaries, is now under the charge of the Rector of the Parish. He took charge of it in January. We trust this work may prosper, and be blessed by the Lord. There is now in process of erection a parsonage for his summer accommodation. By the very generous donation of an organ, by R. I. Middleton, Esq. the music of the Church has been wonderfully improved. Contributions, Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$100. Missions among the negroes, \$200. Other purposes, \$500. Total, \$800.

Parish of St. Helena, Beaufort.

The Rev. Jos. R. Walker, Rector.

The Rev. Richardson Graham,
The Rev. Jas. H. Elliott, Deacon,
and Missionaries.

Baptisms—13 colored adults; 16 white children; 18 colored, total, 47. Marriages, 2 white; 14 colored; total, 16. Burials, 8 white; 12 colored; total, 20. Communicants, 123 white; 112 colored; total, 235.—Non-communicants, 84 white. Children under 14, 189 white. Families, 59 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 9 white. Children catechized 260 days on plantations, 313 colored. Sunday School Teachers, 10 white; 8 colored; total 18. Number of Scholars, 7 white; 78 colored; total, 85. Public Worship, St. Helena Church, 52 Sundays, 63 other days, total, 167. On Plantations, 52 Sundays, 280 other days, total, 436; whole number of times, 603.

Remarks.—I am happy to report the continuous and increasing success of the Mission among the slaves of the Parish, under the charge of my Assistant, the Rev. Mr. Graham. Though aided by the Rev. Mr. J. H. Elliott, many plantations where he would be gladly welcomed,

remain unvisited. His report is appended.

The Assistant Minister and Missionary report, that during the past year, his labors, as in the former year, have been entirely devoted to the instruction of the negroes on the plantations in the Parish. The routine of Missionary duty performed, varies little from that of last year; except in the amount of labor, which is more than doubled. In 1848, I had eight plantations under my charge, this year, 1849, I have seventeen. On these seventeen plantations, I catechize the children weekly. I am happy to say, that for the most part, they take lively interest in these exercises. They learn readily, and retain remarkably well, the instructions which are given. In regard to the adult portion of my charge, I am happy to report, also, the warm and lively interest taken in our services for public worship, and the close and earnest attention given to the preaching of the Gospel. The announcement of the simple truth as it is in Jesus, commands and arrests their attention. Many are seriously inquiring, "what they must do to be saved." The congregations are uniformly orderly—earnest and attentive. I preach three times and ride from 25 to 35 miles every Sunday. I preach also, every night in the week, in rotation, on one of the plantations under my care. The people from the neighboring plantations are, at my request, prohibited from attending; my experience teaches me, that to encourage negroes to attend divine service, at night off their own plantations, would be productive of much evil to both master and servant. I cannot say too much in favor of plantation preaching at night, when confined to the people of the plantation. The statistics required are incorporated in the report of the Rector.

St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.

The Rev. Cranmore Wallace, Minister and Missionary. The Rev. James Ward Simmons, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—10 white adults; 21 white children, 3 colored; total 34. Marriages, 4 white; 3 colored; total, 7. Burials, 12 white; 4 colored; total, 16. Communicants, 121 white; 11 colored; total 132. Noncommunicants, about 100 white; 10 colored; total, 110. Children under 14, about 150 white; 20 colored; total, 170. Families, 93 white; 7 colored; total, 100. Families belonging also to other congregations, 3 white. Children catechized several days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 23 white; 2 colored; total, 25. Sunday Schools—Teachers, 12 white; Scholars, 75 white; 25 colored; total, 100. Public Worship, at St. Stephen's Chapel, 52 Sundays; other days 234; whole number of times, 384.

Remarks.—A daily service has been kept up, with a few exceptions, since the beginning of Lent. A third service was held on Sunday evenings through the winter and spring. Lectures are delivered every Friday evening. The Holy Communion is administered on the second and last Sundays of every month. The lower floor of the Chapel is ordina-

rily filled on Sunday, by an attentive congregation, consisting (with only three or four exceptions) of persons unable to pay for seats elsewhere.

Prince William's Parish.

The Rev. B. C. Webb, Missionary to the colored population.

Baptisms—4 white children; 9 colored; total, 13. Marriages, 4 colored. Burials, 2 white; 3 colored; total, 5. Communicants, 125 colored. Lost, by removal 2, by death 2. Lord's supper administered 10 times. Plantations, 11—1 having been added to the Mission this year. Preaching Stations, 6—at which are 4 Chapels. Services held on Sundays, except one, which is attended on the Wednesday of every other week; the master allowing the time, by deducting from the usual task. Services have been performed at each regularly, except during the last spring, when affliction occasioned an absence for two Sundays; and in the month of September, on account of health, an absence for three Sundays occurred, by an excursion to the upper parts of the State: but my place was supplied at some of the stations by a highly esteemed laybrother, of the parish.

Children catechized on all occasions of attendance, on Sundays, and

in the week.

Remarks...-The Mission has had an accession of one Plantation with a large number of slaves, and I have heard others spoken of, whose proprietors have expressed a wish of joining. While masters are looking on us favorably, I fear opposition on the part of their slaves from religious prejudice which is on the increase. They generally attend well and willingly receive religious instruction, but prefer other churches, or attach themselves to a religious organization among themselves, called "the Society." Their religious condition is desperately wretched, and though the depth of this wretchedness, seems to be ever deepening, and man's power can avail nothing, still the Lord's grace is sufficient to apply the necessary remedy. Who are the living and moral instruments by which this all-sufficient grace is to be dispensed to their perishing souls? This is the question worthy of being frequently considered by all persons concerned.

St. Mark's, Clarendon.

The Rev. Arthur Wigfall, Rector. Jacob V. Welch, Catechist among the negroes.

Baptisms—2 colored adults; 8 white children; total, 10. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 34 white. Non-communicants, 20 white. Children under 14, 52 white. Families, 23 white. Children catechized 12 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, 31 white. Public Worship, 46 Sundays, 2 other days; whole number of times, 48.

St. Luke's Parish.

The Rev. A. Woodward, Rector.

Baptisms—5 white children. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 1 white adult; 2 white children; 1 colored; total, 4. Communicants, 30 white; 38 colored; total, 68. Non-communicants, 35 white; colored unknown.

Children under 14, 59 white; colored not ascertained. Families, 35 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations, 3 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 whites; 2 colored; total, 7. Sunday School Teachers, 2 white. Number of Scholars, 8 white; about 50 colored; total, 58. Public Worship, service from November to June alternately every fortnight on the Island, (Zion Chapel) and the Main, (St. Luke's Church,) 30 times; from June to November, every Sunday twice a day, at Bluffton, (Chapel of the Cross,) 38 times; whole number of times, including service to colored people on Hilton Head, 80.

Remarks.—For several Sundays, during the summer, the Rector was indisposed, but his place was acceptably supplied by the Rev. Mr. Seabrook, who has been engaged as his Assistant to labor especially among the colored people on the Main. The congregation at Bluffton, continues to increase in numbers, so much so, as to render necessary a further enlargement of the Chapel of the Cross. Several have been added to

the Communion.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1849.

| | White. | Colored. | Total. |
|---|--------|----------|--------|
| Baptisms—Adults, | 31 | 237 | 268 |
| "Children, | 343 | 669 | 1011 |
| Omuren, | 949 | | 1011 |
| Grand Total, | 373 | 906 | 1279 |
| Grand Lotar, | | | |
| Marriages, | 71 | 94 | 165 |
| Burials, | 255 | 89 | 344 |
| Congregation—Communicants, | 2669 | 2247 | 4916 |
| " Non-communicants, | 2247 | 666 | 2913 |
| " Children under 14, | 2620 | 396 | 3016 |
| "Families, | 638 | 104 | 742 |
| Families belonging to other Congregations, | 114 | 101 | 114 |
| Children catechised, | 770 | 1421 | 2191 |
| Confirmed by the Bishop, | 135 | 124 | 259 |
| | 236 | 2 | 238 |
| Sunday Schools—Number of Teachers, " " Scholars, | 1021 | 1134 | 2165 |
| DCHOIal Speed | 1021 | 1702 | 2200 |

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

IN THE

DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA.

ARTICLE I.

Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.

The Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

Of Stated Meetings.

A stated Convention shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Wednesday in February, or at such time, and in such place, as shall have been determined upon by the preceding Convention.

ARTICLE III.

Of Members of Convention.

Section 1.—The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

Section 2.—The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and the Minister, or Ministers of every Episcopal Church in union with this Convention, shall always be, ex officio, a member, or members of this Convention, with a right to vote on all matters requiring the suffrages thereof: Provided, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to vote in Convention, unless he has been actually, as well as canonically resident

within the Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has, for the same period, been employed in performing the duties of his station: *Provided*, also, that no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in Convention, shall, by reason of advanced years, or infirm health, or temporary absence, be divested of such privilege.

Section 3.—Every other Clergyman of the Church being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or a Chaplain in any benevolent or other public institution, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote in matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second section of this Article shall also apply to the preceding part of this section. Every other Clergyman, being an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese, or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote.

Section 4.—Lay-Delegates, not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches, in union with this Convention, from among the members of those Churches respectively, to represent them in Convention; the Delegates to be elected in such manner and time, as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Convention. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Convention, produce written testimonials of their election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

Section 5.—No member shall hereafter, represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

Section 6.—A Lay-Member, having taken his seat in the Convention as a Delegate from any Church, shall not, (without the unanimous consent of the Convention,) be permitted to relinquish his seat, and take a seat as the Delegate of another Church.

ARTICLE IV.

Of a Quorum.

Ten (10) Members of the Clerical Order, and Lay-Representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either order that shall assemble may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

ARCICLE V.

Of the President.

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be, ex-officio, President of the Convention. But in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate,

the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention: and if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the Secretary.

A Secretary, who shall also be, ex-officio, Treasurer, shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct Journal of the Proceedings of the Convention, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meeting of the Convention; and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Convention. He shall also keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers, relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VII.

Of the Standing Committee.

Section 1.—A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church in the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitutions and Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

Section 2.—At their first meeting after their appointment, they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President; and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone, to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest their public acts, to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee, which may have been entrusted to him.

Section 3.—They shall present to each annual Convention, an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

Section 4.—Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of Special Meetings.

Section 1.—The Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention; and such meeting shall be held where the authority calling it shall determine; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that stated in the notice calling the Convention.

Section 2.—No special meeting of the Convention shall be called for the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

ARTICLE IX.

Of Voting in Convention.

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two Clergymen, or the Delegation from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the Clergy shall vote individually, and the Lay-Delegates by Churches, (a majority of each Delegation having one vote,) and a majority in both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE X.

Of the Election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

In the election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, a majority of each Order shall determine a choice: *Provided*, that two-thirds (2-3ds) of all the Clergy entitled to a vote, and two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present; otherwise, two-thirds (2-3ds) of the votes of each Order present, shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ARTICLE XI.

Of the Trial of a Clergyman.

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention "of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished," and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

ARTICLE XII.

Of the Admission of Churches or Parishes into the Convention.

Whenever a Church or Parish, not now entitled to a representation, shall be desirous of uniting with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese, they shall apply by letter to the Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due organization of their Church, the election of their Vestrymen and Church Wardens, their means or prospects for the support of a minister, and

their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitutions and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now or hereafter may be enacted by authority of the same. And at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall communicate the same to the Convention for their decision thereon. Should the Convention make a favorable decision, the said Church shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese: Provided, always, that the Delegates of the Church, or Parish, newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at the meeting of the Convention in which their Church or Parish is admitted. But no Lay vote shall be received from any Church or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or to pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

Section 1.—At every annual Convention, four Presbyters and four Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention.

Section 2.—In case any Deputy, appointed as above, shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee; and the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint a substitute for any Deputy so declining, or unable to attend: *Provided*, that such substitute be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of Altering the Constitution.

No one of these Articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any Article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new Article be proposed, considered and concurred in by a majority at one Convention, and concurred in by two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches present at a subsequent Convention.

CANONS.

CANON I.

On making Collections for the Bishop's Common Fund.

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, or his Assistant, shall from time to time, at his discretion, preach in every Church under his care, a Sermon on the nature and duties of the Episcopal office; and the Vestry of each Church are requested to make a collection annually in aid of the Bishop's Common Fund; or, in lieu of such collection, the Minister and Vestry of such Church may substitute an annual contribution. Passed 1822. Amended 1826.

CANON II.

Providing for an accurate view of the state of the Church.

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, shall, at or before the meeting of every annual Convention, deliver or transmit to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, an accurate statement, in writing, of the number of Baptisms, Burials and Marriages in his Parish or Church, during the year ending on the first of January preceding; specifying the number of places where, and how often in each, Divine Service is held; the number of Families, (discriminating in each instance the number of Families belonging likewise to other Congregations,) Communicants, Adults and Children under fourteen (14) years, attending or belonging to the same; the number catechised by him, and on how many Sundays; whether there be any Sunday School, and, if any, the number of Children and Teachers, and the subjects of instruction in the same; and generally, all such other matters as may tend to throw light of the state of the Church under his care; which reports shall be laid before the Convention, and entered on the Journals, conformably to the seventh (7th) Canon of the General Convention of 1835. Passed 1825. Amended 1841.

CANON III.

Trial of a Clergyman.

Section 1.—In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made in the first place, to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this

Diocese, or of the General Convention, and that it ought to be presented, they shall present the same to the Bishop in the following form:

To A. B. Bishop of the Diocese of South-Carolina.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina, respectfully represent that C. D. has been accused under the hand of E. F. and G. H. [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion, that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canon, in such case made and provided.

Signed by the Standing Committee.

Section 2.—But nothing, herein contained, shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop to institute an inquiry on his own motion, according to the thirty-seventh Canon of the General Convention.

Section 3.—A presentment being made, the Bishop shall proceed, from among those entitled to a seat in the Convention, other than the members of the Standing Committee, to designate twelve (12) Presbyters, and cause a list of their names and a copy of the presentment to be furnished to the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, if he be not found. Within thirty (30) days thereafter, the accused shall select five (5) of the twelve (12) Presbyters, and give notice thereof to the Bishop: and in case of his failure to do so, the Bishop shall select five (5); and, in either case, the selected Presbyters shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

Section 4.—The Council shall hold its session at such time and place as the Bishop may appoint, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed; and if the whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than three (3), shall proceed to trial. The Council shall appoint a President and Secretary, the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body, or otherwise; and before proceeding to trial, shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and, along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved; and shall cause a record to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may be called upon by the Council to administer an oath, or affirmation, to the witnesses; and the trial shall be in public, if desired by the Standing Committee, or by the accused.

Section 5.—A written notice of the time and place of the meeting of the Council shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, (if he be not found) at least thirty (30) days before such meeting: and like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who by

their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence in support of the accusation, and otherwise appear in behalf of the prosecution.

Section 6.—If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shown, may adjourn the trial to another day; and if he refuse, or decline to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, who thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the Ministry; but such sentence may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear for that end before the Council; and if he do not so report and appear, the Bishop, in view of the charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the Ministry.

Section 7.—Upon the application of the Standing Committee, or the accused, to the Bishop, setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a Clergyman, or Layman, as a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days notice of the time and place of taking the deposition. If the party to whom such notice is to be given, reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The examination shall be in writing, and signed by the witness; and the deposition, certified by the Commissioner and transmitted, under seal, to the Council.

Section 8.—When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty, or not guilty; and if guilty, suggesting what sentence, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence and the record of the proceedings, to the Bishop; whereupon, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall to him appear proper, and such sentence shall be final. But if, in the opinion of the Bishop, the accused ought to have a new trial, he shall have power to award it; in which case, a new Council shall be convened, before which the proceedings shall be conducted, as before provided.

Section 9.—If at any time the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop, (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council,) shall proceed to pass sentence; and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit, nor deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty.

Section 10.—It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Convention, at its next session, after the trial of a Presbyter, or Deacon, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.

CANON IV.

A list to be made of the Clergymen in this Diocese.

Section 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or of their stations as missionaries or chaplains, or of the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order on the first day of meeting, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. Such list shall then be referred to a Committee of Three Clergymen appointed by the Chair, who shall forthwith consider and report who of the Clergymen, on said list, are entitled to all the privileges of members of the Convention, who are entitled to said privileges with the exception of the right to vote on matters pertaining to the temporal affairs of the Churches, who are entitled to seats, but not to votes, and who are not entitled to either to seats or votes. Such list thus reported and approved of by the Convention, shall be appended to the Journal, and shall be transmitted to the Secretary of every General Convention.

Section 2. No Clergyman, while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on said list.

Section 3. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined, according to the provisions of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

Section 4. The Bishop shall take such measures for notifying the admission of Ministers into this Diocese, as may prevent unwary and ignorant people from being imposed upon by persons pretending to be authorized ministers of this Church. And his certificate shall be evidence of such admission.

RULES OF ORDER.

- I. The opening of the Convention shall always be preceded by the Morning Service of the Church, a Sermon, and the administration of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, or, if the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be not present, by the President of the Standing Committee. The business of every succeeding day shall be introduced with the Morning Service, and the business of every day shall be closed with appropriate Collects pronounced by the President.
- II. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the Chair, the Secretary shall first call over, in alphabetical order, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats. He shall then call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Delegates shall lay their certificates on the Secretary's table. These shall be referred to a Committee of Three, who shall forthwith examine them, and report to the Convention. A constitutional quorum having been found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. Should the Committee have considered any testimonials unsatisfactory, these shall now be taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.
- III. The further order of business for the first day of the session of the Convention shall be as follows:

1. The reading of the "Rules of Order."

2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

3. The consideration of the application of Churches, or Parishes, for

admission into the Convention.

4. The appointment, by the President, of Preachers for the first day

of the next annual Convention.

5. The appointment, by the President, of two Standing Committees, viz: the Committee on Unfinished Business, one (1) Clergymen and two (2) Laymen; the Committee on Finance, three (3) Laymen.

6. The annual communication of the Standing Committee of the

Church.

7. The appointment of Special Committees.

8. Miscellaneous business.

IV. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be, on the President's taking the Chair:

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes.

Calling the names of members absent on the preceding day.
 The appointment of the Standing Committee of the Church.

4. The choosing of Deputies to the General Convention.

5. Calling upon each delegation to pay the assessment on their respective Churches or Parishes, for the Bishop's Common Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.

6. Reports to be called for in the following order:

Committee on Finance.

Treasurer of Bishop's Permanent, Common and Convention Funds.

Committee on Unfinished Business.

Conventional School Committee.

Trustees for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

Committees appointed at preceding Convention.

Special Committees.

7. Miscellaneous Business.

- V. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.
 - VI. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.
- VII. When the President shall take the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.
 - VIII. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.
- IX. No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.
- X. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.
- XI. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.
- XII. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Convention.
- XIII. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.
- XV. When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the Church.
- XV. No motion shall be considered before the Convention, unless seconded, and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister or Delegate may not second a motion offered by a Minister or Delegate of the same Church with himself.
- XVI. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A motion

to strike out the word "Resolved," shall have precedence to a motion to amend; and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the resolution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved, shall be first put.

- XVII. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Convention.
- XVIII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Convention.
- XIX. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
- XX. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.
- XXI. If any member, in speaking, or otherwise, trangress the rules of the Convention, the President shall, or any member may call to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Convention, and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.
- XXII. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.
- XXIII. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.
- XXIV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two-thirds (2-3ds) of the members present.
- XXV. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

| 1. Resolved, That the following are the sums which each Parish, or | | | | | |
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| Church, shall annually contribute to a fund, to be called "The Bishop's | | | | | |
| Common Fund;" to wit: | | | | | |
| St. Michael's, \$300 St. Matthew's | | | | | |
| St. Philip's, 300 St. Luke's, - | 15 | | | | |
| St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough, 150 Church of the | Holy Trinity, | | | | |
| St. Peter's, 100 Grahamville | e, 15 | | | | |
| Grace Church, Christ Church | Wilton, - 15 | | | | |
| Prince George, Winyaw, - 50 St. Helena, St | . Helena Island, 10 | | | | |
| St. John's, Berkley, 50 St. Mark's, Cl | arendon, 10 | | | | |
| St. John's, Colleton, - 50 St. James's, G | Foose Creek, 10 | | | | |
| Edisto Island, 50 St. David's, C | heraw, 10 | | | | |
| All-Saints, Waccamaw, - 50 St. Andrew's, | 10 | | | | |
| St. Helena, Beaufort, - 35 Grace Church | , Camden, - 10 | | | | |
| St. Paul's, Pendleton, - 30 Pineville and U | Jpper St. John's, 10 | | | | |
| | m's Parish, - 10 | | | | |
| | Sullivan's Island, 5 | | | | |
| North Santee, 30 Christ Church | , 5 | | | | |
| | ames Island, - 5 | | | | |
| St. Paul's, Stono, - 20 Trinity Churc | h, Society Hill, 5 | | | | |
| St. Thomas and St. Dennis, 20 Prince Freder | ick's, 5 | | | | |
| Claremont, 20 Christ Church | , Greenville, - 5 | | | | |
| Passed 1824. Amend | | | | | |
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Resolved, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Common Fund, shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese, the sum of fifteen hundred (1500) dollars, annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund; to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duties.

Passed 1835. Amended 1841.

- 3. Resolved, That whatever balance may remain, after paying the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

 Passed 1834. Amended.
- 4. Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual summons to the different Parishes, or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes, or Churches, to the Bishop's Common Fund.

 Passed 1830.
- 5. Resolved, That the Parishes of St. Philip's, St. Michael's, and St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeborough, and St. Peter's Church, and Grace Church, Charleston, shall each contribute ten (10) dollars annually, and each Parish or Church in the country five (5) dollars annually, towards defraying the expenses of the Convention; and that the Secretary, in issuing his summons to the Parish, or Churches, shall inform them of

this resolution; and that, at each Annual Convention, the Treasurer shall apply to the Delegates of each Church, for their respective contributions.

Passed 1820. Amended 1829. 1848.

- 6. Resolved, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes, or Churches, with blank copies of the usual form for Reports; and that they be, and they are hereby required, henceforth, to make their annual returns conformably to the same.

 Passed 1826.
- 7. Whereas, according to the consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law as "under the Gospel, moved hither by the express command of God, or "by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably to "their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have "erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them "from all unhallowed, worldly, and common uses, in order to fill men's "minds with greater reverence for his glorious Majesty, and affect their "hearts with more devotion and humility in his service;" and, whereas, the delivering of orations, and holding elections, on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our Communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency; therefore be it

Resolved by this Convention, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all Churches in this Diocese, to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care, for all unhallowed, worldly and common purposes.

Passed 1828.

- 8. Resolved, That the custom of returning thanks for Sermons preached before this body, is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not, in future, be observed.

 Passed 1829.
- 9. Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay, annually, to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the quota of this Diocese, towards defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

 Passed 1832.
- 10. Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the several Clergymen having a Parochial charge, to give notice to their respective Congregations, on the Sunday preceding the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, that divine service may be expected every day during the sitting of the Convention.

 Passed 1838. Amended.
- 11. Resolved, That the fund to be raised in conformity with a resolution for adopting measures to increase the Bishop's Permanent Fund, shall be called the "Convention Fund, raised for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund;" shall be entrusted to the charge of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds; and shall not be used, either principal or interest, except for the purpose of investment, until the income shall be adequate, together with the income of the Bishop's Permanent Fund, to the support of the Episcopate, independent of a Parochial charge.

 Passed 1836, and amended.

- 12. Resolved, That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Convention.

 Passed 1838.
- 13. Resolved, That it be respectfully recommended to the members of our Church, who are proprietors of slaves, individually and collectively to take measures for the support of Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists, who are members of our Church, for the religious instruction of their slaves.

 Passed 1838.
- 14. Resolved, That it be urged upon the Rectors and Vestries of the country Parishes, to exert themselves to obtain the services of such Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists.

 Passed 1838.
- 15. Resolved, That every Missionary and Catechist be approved of by the Bishop.

 Passed 1838.
- 16. Resolved, That the Clergy be required, on some suitable occasion previously to the meeting of the Convention in each year, to call the attention of their respective Congregations to the importance of the punctual attendance of Delegates at such Convention.

 Passed 1838.
- 17. Resolved, That no person who is a candidate for Orders, shall be admitted to a seat in this Convention, as a Lay-Delegate from any Parish or Church.

 Passed 1839.
- 18. Resolved, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese, that in the appointment of Delegates to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church.

 Passed 1841.
- 19. Resolved, That the Rector or officiating Minister, or in case of there being no Minister, the Chairman of the Vestry in the different Parishes be requested at as early a date as possible after each annual election of Vestry and Wardens of their Church, to forward a list of their names to the President of the Standing Committee, and also a list to the Secretary of the Convention, that they may be kept on file.

Passed 1842.

20. Resolved unanimously, That whereas the practice of both public and private travelling on the Lord's day, is deemed to be a prevalent evil of the times; and whereas, the 41st Canon of our Church, "of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that "all persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation,"

Resolved, That the attention of the members of our Church in this Diocese be solicited to the above Canon.

Passed 1844.

21. Resolved, That hereafter in voting by ballot, the Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Churches in order, and the votes be brought forward and deposited with the Tellers as called for.

Passed 1847.

DIOCESAN COMMITTEES, &c.

1. Standing Committee of the Diocese:

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., Chairman.

" Paul Trapier,

" Paul T. Gervais,

Paul Trapier Keith,

" J. S. Hanckel,

Dr. I. M. Campbell,

James H. Ladson,

H. D. Lesesne,

E. R. Laurens,

C. G. Memminger.

2. Delegates to the General Convention:

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.

" P. Trapier,

J. R. Walker,

" C. C. Pinckney, Jr.

R. F. W. Allston,

Benjamin Huger, M. D.

R. W. Barnwell,

C. G. Memminger.

3. Episcopal School Committee:

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., Chairman.

The Rev. Paul T. Gervais,

" C. Hanckel, D. D.

' C. Wallace,

" P. T. Keith,

Dr. I. M. Campbell,

W. C. Courtney,

Edward Lowndes,

W. C. Courtney, Secretary.

Dr. I. M. Campbell, Treasurer.

4. Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen:

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., Chairman.

N. R. Middleton,

J. W. Faber,

James R. Pringle, Treasurer.

5. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

The Rev. Paul Trapier,

" Dr. Hanckel,
J. R. Walker,

" A. L. Converse,

" A. Glennie,

" W. H. Barnwell,

" P. J. Shand,

" E. Reed,

N. Russel Middleton,

Robert W. Barnwell,

C. G. Memminger,

Edward R. Laurens,

R. F. W. Allston,

Benjamin Huger, M. D.

6. Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention:

The Rev. C. Wallace, Post Office, Charleston.

Assistant Secretary, The Rev. P. T. Keith, Charleston.

7. Treasurer of the "Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds," and of the "Convention's Fund for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund:"

Thomas G. Simons, Jr., Charleston.

8. Committee on Calvary Church, Charleston:

H. D. Lesesne, N. R. Middleton, William Jervey, Edward Lowndes, Thos. M. Hanckel, Geo. M. Coffin.

The next meeting of the Convention will be held in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, on the second Wednesday of February 1851, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

LIST OF THE CLERGY.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS,

| The | Rt. | Rev. Christopher Edwar | DS GADSDEN, D. D., |
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| | | Bishop of the Diocese, | Charleston. |
| The | Rev | . T. S. Arthur, | Greenville |
| | 66 | William H. Barnwell, | Charleston. |
| | 66 | C. T. Bland, | Georgetown. |
| | 66 | John Barnwell Campbell, | Charleston. |
| | 66 | John W. Chanler, | New-York. |
| | 66 | Augustus L. Converse, | Stateburg. |
| | 44 | Andrew H. Cornish, | Pendleton. |
| | 6.6 | J. Hamilton Cornish, | Aiken. |
| | 66 | M. A. Curtis, | Society Hill. |
| | 66 | T. F. Davis, | Camden. |
| | " | William Dehon, | Pineville. |
| | 66 | Francis P. Delavaux, | Walterboro'. |
| | 66 | Charles P. Elliott, | Fulton, Sumter District. |
| | 66 | James H. Elliott, | Beaufort. |
| | 66 | Stephen Elliott, | Pocotaligo. |
| | 66 | Henry Elwell, | Society Hill. |
| | 66 | J. R. Fell, | Charleston. |
| | 44 | A. Fowler, | Charleston. |
| | 66 | Philip Gadsden, | Summerville. |
| | 66 | C. P. Gadsden, | Pineville. |
| | 66 | Paul T. Gervais, | Charleston. |
| | 66 | Richardson Graham, | $Beaufort_{ullet}$ |
| | 66 | Alexander Glennie, | Georgetown, |
| | 66 | Alexander Gregg, | Cheraw. |
| | 66 | C. H. Hall, | John's Island. |
| | 66 | Ch. Hanckel, D. D. | Charleston. |
| | 6.6 | J. Stuart Hanckel, | Charleston. |
| | 66 | Wm. H. Hanckel, | Edisto Island. |
| | 66 | Robert Henry, D. D. | Columbia. |
| | 66 | Robt. T. Howard, | Georgetown. |
| | 66 | W. B. W. Howe, | Monck's Corner. |
| | 46 | Joseph Hunter, | Georgetown. |
| | 66 | Nathaniel Hyatt, | South Santee, Way-mail. |
| | 66 | Benj. Johnson, | Gillisonville. |
| | 66 | L. C. Johnson, | 1 () |
| | " | Paul Trapier Keith, | · Charleston. |
| | 66 | Maurice H. Lance, | Georgetown. |

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Charleston.

Pocotaligo.

Charleston.

Fulton.

Bluffton.

C. B. Walker.

B. C. Webb.

A. Woodward,

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Thomas John Young,

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